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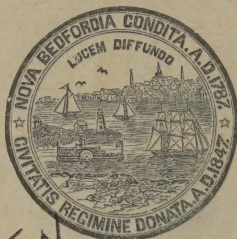
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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
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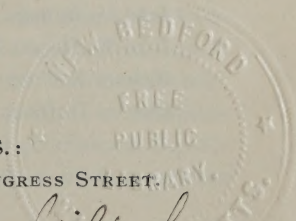
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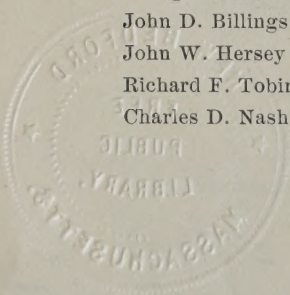
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INTRODUCTION.

At the Thirty-fourth Annual Encampment held at Boston in February, 1900, Department Commander John E. Gilman, in his address, said: "I suggest the consideration by this Encampment of the advisability of creating a similar committee to that of 1892, with authority to continue the publication of the early history of the Department, beginning with 1881, and including as many administrations as will make books of convenient size. Should this plan be adopted, I would further suggest as an economical measure that for the purpose of distribution to public libraries, four hundred extra copies of the reports of this and subsequent administrations be printed and retained at headquarters until a sufficient number accumulate to make another book, when practically the only expense would be the binding."

The Committee on the Commander's Address reported the following which was adopted by the Encampment:—

"That this Encampment authorize the printing of the Proceedings of the Department Encampment beginning with that of 1881 and continuing to that of 1899 inclusive, and in sufficient numbers for distribution to every public library in the State, that the history and good work of our organization may be placed in a position and condition for permanent preservation. The printing of four hundred extra copies we most heartily endorse and we offer the following:—

"*Resolved*, That the same committee as was appointed by resolution of Department Encampment in 1892, viz.: Past Department Commander George W. Creasey; Past Department Commander Austin S. Cushman; Past Department Commander John D. Billings; Comrade William M. Olin, Post 26; Comrade George W. Powers, Post 15, be such committee to carry out the provisions of this recommendation and to complete said history and cause the same to be printed."

In compliance with the above instructions the committee have caused to be printed this volume embracing the administrations of 1881 to 1887 inclusive, which together with the volume entitled: "The Early History of the Department," furnishes a complete record of our Order from the organization of the provisional department in 1886 to and including the administration of Commander Nash in 1887.

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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

HELD AT

BOSTON, 1882.

JANUARY 30.—EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Faneuil Hall, Boston, Jan. 30, 1882, at 7 o'clock P.M., in compliance with General Orders No. 11 from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 7.40 by Department Commander George W. Creasey. The Officer of the Day reported all present members of the Order.

Prayer was offered by Department Chaplain John W. Lee.

Commander Creasey announced the Encampment opened in due form and appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz.: the Assistant Adjutant-General; Comrade W. A. Sloane of the Council; Comrade George W. Powers of Post 15; Comrade George L. Goodale of Post 66; Comrade John D. Billings of Post 94.

Commander Creasey reported that the Commander-in-Chief was in waiting and desired to visit the Encampment, and that he had taken the liberty to appoint a committee of three, consisting of Charles A. Stott of the Council, Charles B. Fox of Post 68 and Andrew C. Stone of Post 39, to wait upon the Commander-in-Chief and escort him to the platform. The committee retired under escort of four Aides-de-Camp and immediately returned and presented to the Department Commander, who in turn presented to the Encampment, Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill of Lawrence, Mass.; William G. Haskell of Lewiston,

Department Commander of Maine, and Silas A. Barton of Lynn, of the National Council of Administration.

The Commander-in-Chief was accompanied by the following members of his staff, viz. : Adjutant-General William M. Olin ; Assistant Adjutant-General Alfred C. Monroe ; Senior Aide-de-Camp John G. B. Adams ; Aides-de-Camp Edward A. Fiske, George G. Bailey, Jr., George H. Innis, W. J. Mansfield, and Assistant Inspector-General Thomas H. Hill.

The party was enthusiastically received and after the interest in the reception had subsided the regular business proceeded.

On motion of Comrade Stott of the Council, it was

Voted, That the reading of the records of last Department Encampment be dispensed with.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows : —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 383 |
| Number present | 293 |

Divided as follows : —

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| Department officers | 13 |
| Past Department Commanders | 3 |
| Post Commanders | 98 |
| Delegates | 179 |
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| Total | 293 |

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1882.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | GEORGE W. CREASEY. |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | BENJAMIN S. LOVELL. |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | ROYAL B. WIGHT. |
| <i>Medical Director</i> | *AZEL AMES, JR. |
| <i>Chaplain</i> | JOHN W. LEE. |

Council of Administration.

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|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| †JOHN SCATES. | CHARLES A. STOTT. | BENJAMIN A. BRIDGES. |
| WILLIAM A. SLOANE. | WILLIAM S. FROST. | |

Official Staff.

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| <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | JAMES F. MEECH. |
| <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i> | EDWARD T. RAYMOND. |
| <i>Inspector</i> | WILLIAM L. BAIRD. |
| <i>Judge Advocate</i> | WILLIAM H. HART. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | ALFRED C. MONROE. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| A. B. UNDERWOOD. | HORACE BINNEY SARGENT. |
| GEORGE S. MERRILL. | JOHN G. B. ADAMS. |

[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

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| POST 1. | Commander James L. Wilbur. |
| POST 2. | Commander George A. Thayer, William S. Brown, H. S. Everett. |
| POST 3. | Commander T. C. Lucas, A. B. Hodges, J. W. Brown, D. S. Elliott |
| POST 4. | Commander Chas. O. Boyd, James Pope. |
| POST 5. | Commander Horace A. Sawyer, S. A. Barton, George A. Hunt, Alex. S. Wright, Kirk Stark, Gustavus A. Badger, A. A. Davis, Geo. F. Batchelder, John L. Parker, Frank Swain, Thomas T. Hines, C. M. Sprague, H. H. Babb, C. W. Sears, C. R. Mansfield, J. W. Colcord. |
| POST 6. | Wm. Birch, R. S. Dorr. |
| POST 7. | Commander Dennis Meehan, Thomas J. Tute, George B. Martis, Patrick W. Doherty. |
| POST 8. | Commander B. W. Bump, C. L. Starkey. |
| POST 9. | Commander Rufus Howe, Chas. L. Woodbury. |

*Reported sick. †Not present.

- Post 10. Commander T. M. Remington, T. J. Hastings, J. B. Lamb, S. F. Babbitt, Geo. F. Thompson, W. L. Robinson, E. L. Drury, F. H. Rice, J. B. Willard, H. T. Buck.
- Post 11. Commander Thomas Crozier, Alvin R. Bailey, Henry E. Wright.
- Post 12. Commander W. J. Mansfield, W. N. Tyler, George H. Teague, A. S. Atherton.
- Post 13. John B. Parker.
- Post 15. Commander Richard F. Lynam, J. Cushing Thomas, Thomas Langlan, George O. Noyes, George W. Powers, Chas. H. Nason.
- Post 16. Commander James O. Smith, John L. Rice, John L. Knight, Fred L. Perry, George Smith.
- Post 17. Commander A. L. Shattuck, R. W. Rand.
- Post 18. Commander Ezra Morse, Thomas Taylor.
- Post 19. Commander James Cuthbert, John F. Bruce, Moses Hoyt, George A. Sawyer.
- Post 20. Commander Geo. H. Carpenter, Henry A. Howard.
- Post 21. Commander Theodore Leutz, Philip Wachter.
- Post 22. Commander B. H. Montague, Geo. L. Maynard.
- Post 23. Commander Eben B. Lincoln, Wm. H. H. Emmons, George A. Butler, Geo. E. Harrington.
- Post 24. Not represented.
- Post 25. Geo. M. Rice.
- Post 26. Commander Wm. M. Olin, Jediah P. Jordan, John E. Killian.
- Post 27. Commander Leonard E. Thayer, J. E. Nichols.
- Post 28. Commander H. O. Sawyer, W. L. G. Haskins.
- Post 29. Commander John H. Whelon, James H. Fisher.
- Post 30. Commander Edward J. Dolan, P. Allen Lindsey, W. T. Alden.
- Post 31. Commander A. A. Seaverns, Thomas F. Bailey.
- Post 32. Commander A. C. Belcher, James A. Kelly.
- Post 33. Commander Charles H. Harding, B. F. Whittemore, Albert P. Barrett.
- Post 34. Commander J. Frank Dalton, James Arrington, James H. Anderson, William L. Welch, Lewis R. Pratt, John O'Connell.
- Post 35. Commander Chas. O. Fellows, H. T. Holmes, G. W. Marsh, H. Hinckley, G. H. Buck, C. A. Merriam.
- Post 36. Horace Durgin.
- Post 37. Commander Jarvis H. Jones, Walton Livermore, James A. Black.
- Post 38. J. M. Bellows.
- Post 39. Commander John F. Hogan, Andrew C. Stone, Moses F. Hutchins, C. U. Bell, David S. Crockett, John Upham, Jr.
- Post 40. Commander E. E. Currier, Thos. E. Barker.
- Post 41. Commander C. H. Watson.
- Post 42. Commander Charles W. Sleeper, E. W. Thompson, C. H. Richardson, J. P. Maxfield, F. B. Peabody, H. W. Allen.
- Post 43. Commander A. M. Page, R. D. S. Mortimer, J. R. McGrillis.
- Post 44. Commander S. F. Draper, Francis Wright, George Cantello.
- Post 45. Commander Charles H. Parsons, D. S. Watson.
- Post 46. Commander Frank McGraw, Edward O. Driscoll, John H. Abbott, Joseph E. Nye.
- Post 47. Commander Chas. E. Peabody, A. M. Tilton, J. M. Davis, E. G. W. Cartwright, D. S. Kimball.
- Post 48. Commander John, Q. A. McCollister, John H. Sprague.
- Post 49. Commander Daniel B. Whiting, Philip H. Creasey, Thomas E. Cutter, J. Albert Mills, Daniel M. Felch, Caleb P. Davis, Jr.

- Post 50. Commander Windsor M. Ward, William H. Hildreth, George B. Miller, John J. Sheehan.
- Post 51. Commander John S. Cooke, Osborn Gallup.
- Post 52. George G. Smith.
- Post 53. Commander T. J. Ames, S. F. Maynard, S. A. Meads.
- Post 54. Commander John L. Bruce, S. E. Chamberlain.
- Post 55. Edgar G. Blandin.
- Post 56. Commander Wm. H. Eveleth, James E. Barrows.
- Post 57. Commander J. F. Capelle, Otis S. Brown, W. F. Marks.
- Post 58. Chas. W. Hastings, Chas. S. Redmond, Geo. A. Cushing, David Dunbar.
- Post 59. Commander A. H. Melendy, A. H. Newhall.
- Post 60. Commander George W. Nason, George E. Lovejoy.
- Post 61. A. R. Snow, John M. Clarke.
- Post 62. Commander H. W. Downs.
- Post 63. Commander Frank P. Simonds, D. H. L. Gleason.
- Post 64. Commander Louis L. Stone.
- Post 65. Commander Amos Bliss, J. H. Goodhue.
- Post 66. Commander John S. Beck, George L. Goodale, J. Henry Eames.
- Post 67. Commander Henry T. Bingham, Edwin P. Stanley.
- Post 68. Commander Herbert S. Cole, Chas. B. Fox, Wm. C. Cumings, S. A. Cushing, Jr.
- Post 69. Not represented.
- Post 70. Commander Rodney D. Loomis, H. F. Hobart.
- Post 71. Geo. H. Smith, Geo. E. Whitaker.
- Post 72. Luther S. Bryant, John Mills.
- Post 73. Commander A. H. Wright, John W. Sproul, T. S. Atwood.
- Post 74. John W. Wheeler, E. T. Harvell.
- Post 75. Commander L. P. Benton, C. K. Johnson, T. C. Silke, James O. Laughlin.
- Post 76. Commander John Shannon, Benj. A. Hathaway, S. C. Wright.
- Post 77. Commander Isaac Damon, J. H. Gleason.
- Post 78. Commander Timothy Reed, Chas D. Nash, William R. Vining.
- Post 79. Commander Peter Snyder, E. O. Wiley, F. H. Fleming.
- Post 80. Commander Chas. P. Winslow, Louis J. Elwell.
- Post 81. George E. Teele.
- Post 82. Commander Samuel B. Hidden, Jr., Benj. Pitman, Joseph Bartlett.
- Post 83. Commander R. C. Waterman.
- Post 84. Not represented.
- Post 85. Commander Chas. E. Woodward, George S. Marsh.
- Post 86. Not represented.
- Post 87. Commander Henry A. Monk, E. S. Dean.
- Post 88. Commander Isaac M. Holt, William P. Martin.
- Post 89. Commander William H. Morgan, John W. McKnight, James Maguire.
- Post 90. Commander George W. Kenney, William T. Damon, Timothy D. Crowley.
- Post 91. A. L. Bundy.
- Post 92. Commander A. B. Collier, Thomas L. Perkins.
- Post 93. Commander G. R. Pierce.
- Post 94. John D. Billings.
- Post 95. Commander James H. Boyce, Chas. A. Newhall.
- Post 96. Commander D. M. Bailey, F. M. Harrington.
- Post 97. Not represented.
- Post 98. Not represented.
- Post 99. Commander Peter D. Smith, A. B. Cutter.

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| Post 100. | Not represented. |
| Post 101. | Commander Chas. F. Payne, N. E. Ladd. |
| Post 102. | James W. Fletcher. |
| Post 103. | Commander C. H. Tracy, Chester H. Bullard. |
| Post 104. | Commander I. Frank Goodwin, Peter N. Sprague. |
| Post 105. | George S. Ball. |
| Post 106. | Not represented. |
| Post 107. | Commander H. R. Stoughton, William Holbrook. |
| Post 108. | Not represented. |
| Post 109. | Not represented. |
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| Post 111. | Commander Henry H. Collamore, Sylvanus Shedd. |
| Post 112. | Commander Alpheus Thomas, Frank Dyer. |
| Post 113. | Commander T. R. Mathews, A. N. Sampson. |
| Post 114. | Commander Chas. O. Roberts, Alex. Smart. |
| Post 115. | Commander M. P. Palmer, Chas. Blood. |
| Post 116. | John D. Edgell. |
| Post 117. | Jonathan G. Wight. |
| Post 118. | Commander W. G. Earp, John R. Merritt. |
| Post 119. | Not represented. |
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| Post 123. | Commander James Oliver, Charles E. Taft. |
| Post 124. | Not represented. |
| Post 126. | F. L. Wheelock. |
| Post 127. | Commander Charles Atwood, Josiah G. Cook. |
| Post 128. | Commander Leach Clark. |
| Post 131. | Commander R. H. Newton, J. D. Cogswell. |
| Post 134. | G. W. Johnson. |
| Post 135. | Commander Hammond W. Paige, Samuel Jordan. |
| Post 136. | Not represented. |
| Post 139. | Commander Martin Binney, John M. Woods. |
| Post 142. | Commander Chas. H. Fuller, N. S. Robinson, E. P. Simpson. |
| Post 143. | Commander T. W. Clements, W. Y. Gross. |
| Post 144. | Not represented. |
| Post 145. | Commander Edward W. Rhodes, Fred L. LeBarron. |
| Post 148. | Commander Wm. A. Snow. |
| Post 149. | Commander Wm. H. Seymour, D. D. Pike. |
| Post 151. | Commander Ephraim Bailey. |

The next business was the reports of the Department officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander, George W. Creasey, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER GEORGE W. CREASEY.

Comrades: I do not propose to commence my report by reminding the sensitive natures before me that another year has passed, another milestone on the road of time has been left behind us; for, however conscious we may be of the fact and however much the *faded flowers* of the past remind us of the sad havoc time is making among the human race, yet there are some of our number who delude themselves with the idea that with them time is at a standstill and that nature in its solemn round has been defrauded.

We are again assembled as comrades of the Grand Army to review our labors for the past year and to make such provision for the year upon which we have just entered as will enable us to exemplify in the fullest degree the great value of our organization and to awaken in us a renewed friendship for each other, a greater *charity* for those who look to us for encouragement and support, and a stronger *loyalty* to the government under which we live and for which so many of our associates freely gave their lives.

In presenting to you the present condition of the Department, I shall endeavor to do so in as clear and concise a manner as possible, that whatever questions you may be called upon to discuss or legislate, you may do so understandingly and in such a manner as will be of permanent benefit to the Department.

There are several questions of importance that were referred by the last annual Encampment to the present Department officers, the first of which was the petition presented by my immediate predecessor to our State Legislature, asking that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday. The petition was favorably reported upon by the Military Committee of the Legislature to whom it was referred. The bill passed and on the eighth day of March last the Governor of the Commonwealth approved the same by affixing his official signature to the bill. The pen used by his Excellency in performing this act he has presented to the Department in the following words: "With this pen was signed the bill making Memorial Day a legal holiday. It is presented to the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in response to whose petition the bill was enacted." Later his Excellency announced the action of the Legislature and called upon the people of the Commonwealth to observe the day by the following proclamation: —

WHEREAS, At the recent session of the Legislature, the thirtieth day of May in each year, being the day set apart for the decoration of the graves of deceased soldiers and sailors, and known as Memorial Day, was made a legal public holiday; and whereas, this is the first year in which it is so by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I call attention to its observance. Let us reap as they sowed, not war, but peace; not hate, but love; not discord and chains, but Union and Liberty. Let us scatter their graves with the everlasting not the cypress. So through tears shall unbend the rainbow.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all," with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wound; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphans; to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.

Given at the Executive Chamber this twentieth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

JOHN D. LONG.

By his Excellency the Governor,

HENRY B. PEIRCE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

It has been said of Memorial Day that there is a falling off in the enthusiasm. This is natural where a great event recedes into the past and a younger generation forgets what was vivid to their fathers; but the making of the day a legal holiday, the proclamation by the governor, the general suspension of business throughout the Commonwealth, the joining in the service of many who have been deprived of the privilege by the demand of labor, the united observance of the day by the Posts of Suffolk County, made our last Memorial Day a memorable one. Let our interest, comrades, in the services commemorated to the memory of our departed associates be renewed and strengthened with each recurring year, that those who follow us on the stage of life may be continually reminded of the patriotism, devotion and self-sacrifice of those who preserved in the days of rebellion what our fathers so heroically contended for and established in the days of the Revolution.

The recommendation of the Council of Administration, as contained in paragraph "B" of their report of last year, that the delegates to the National Encampment secure if possible the repeal of Sections 3 and 4, Article IV., Chapter V., of the Rules and Regulations, and the inserting of a new section to the effect that a comrade *may* be suspended and *may* be dropped, instead of *shall be*, was presented to the National Encampment through the Committee on Rules, Regulations and Ritual. The report of the committee being adverse to the proposed change, the Encampment refused to make the alteration.

PENSION CLAIMS.

Immediately after the last Department Convention, quite a number of articles appeared in the daily papers of Boston, giving the history of various pension claims and illustrating the delays in the Pension Office at Washington in the settlement of pensions.

John A. Andrew Post 15 of this Department, anxious to be of service to those who are justly entitled and greatly in need of the pension allowed by the government, adopted a series of resolutions calling attention to the unsatisfactory working of the Pension Office, a copy of which they forwarded to Department Headquarters, as well as to each Post in the Department.

At about the same period circulars were being sent through the country by the then Commissioner of Pensions, showing the vast accumulation of claims at the Pension Office and the insufficient means at his disposal of settling the same within a reasonable time. In response to the resolutions of Post 15, forty-three Posts in this Department forwarded memorials to the President, requesting him to urge upon Congress the necessary legislation to meet the difficulty. The Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army sent circulars throughout the country recommending a petition asking for the passage of the bill known as the "Sixty Surgeon Bill." The Suffolk County Grand Army Association sent through its Pension Committee a delegation to the Department Commander, urging upon him to send a delegation to Washington to further if possible some measure of relief. Deeming the matter of sufficient importance and remembering the resolution adopted at the last Department Convention to the effect, "That the Commander of this Department be instructed to forward a memorial to the President and Congress of the United States, urging the immediate passage of such laws as shall be effectual in settling as speedily as possible the just claims of pensioners and preventing all fraudulent claims," the Council of Administration was convened and at an adjourned meeting held to consider the subject, it was unanimously voted that a delegation be sent to Washington. The delegation, consisting of the Department Commander, the Department Senior Vice-Commander, Benj. S. Lovell, Comrade Charles A. Stott of the Council of Administration, and Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15, proceeded at once to Washington, where they were joined by the Medical Director of the Department, Comrade Azel Ames, Jr. The delegation was cordially received by the Commissioner of Pensions, who informed them that they were the *first* representative body of soldiers who had ever visited Washington in the interest of the pensioner. Every opportunity was afforded them by the commissioner to become familiar with the working of his office and to understand the reasons for the great and in very many instances unnecessary delays in the settlement of claims. It was found by a careful examination of the report of the commissioner, as well as by information from him, that there were at that time thirty-one thousand unsettled claims on file at the Pension Office, that were presented between the years of 1861 and 1865.

In consulting with the members of the Pension Committee, as well as with Congressmen who had given the subject much

thought and attention, it was found that the members of Congress themselves were at a loss for a remedy of the evil; that the subject needed discussion in Congress, and that the only thing that could be done at that session in Congress was to secure as large an appropriation as possible for additional clerical force in the three departments affected by the pension claim, namely, the Adjutant-General's, the Surgeon-General's and the Pension Office. The delegation interviewed and urged senators to take part in the discussion then going on in the Senate. They followed the appropriation bill through the committee until its final passage by both houses of Congress. By that bill a very large additional working force to the three departments above named was made.

That the sending of such a delegation to Washington was of benefit to the unfortunate soldier who has been patiently waiting for years for what he should in many instances have received with but little delay, I am clearly convinced of. No public question interests the disabled soldier and sailor more than that of pensions; for in thousands of families throughout our country its payment by the national government is looked upon as a sacred legacy, and indeed, in many instances is the only resource had for comfort and support.

The payment of millions of dollars annually by the national government and a probable increase in both the number of pensions and the annual appropriations by Congress to meet the unsettled claims, have caused many to distrust the soldier and in too many instances to regard the applicant for a pension as one who is willing to take from the government all that could be got, even at the sacrifice of honor and principle. The cry of fraud has been so often repeated that we are almost forced to believe that it is the rule and not the exception with the claimant. The Arrearages Act, a measure conceived and persistently advocated by the claim agent at Washington and *not* by the soldier, is responsible for this unjust belief and criticism. That unworthy claims have been urged and finally allowed by the department is not strange, for there can be found among all classes selfish and unscrupulous men; but when we remember that the army of the Union numbered nearly two and one-half millions of men, that the number killed and wounded aggregated two hundred and eighty thousand, and the number discharged for disability amounted to two hundred and eighty-five thousand men, there cannot be among the two hundred and seventy thousand pensions of all descriptions now on the rolls, including thirty-five thousand dollars paid to the survivors of the War of 1812, a very large percentage of fraudulent claims.

Let the government, through officers in each Congressional district, come directly in contact with the claimant; let the departments at Washington, that have the complete record of the soldier and sailor from the day he was mustered into the service

of the government to the time of his discharge, and that now positively refuse to furnish any portion of it to the claimant, be authorized to provide all desired information; indeed, let some such bill as that presented by Senator Blair from New Hampshire, who is a member of the Pension Committee, become a law, and the chances for fraud will be greatly diminished.

We can, comrades, through our Grand Army, be of great service to the Commissioner of Pensions. If the worthy and deserving soldier need our assistance and evidence, it should be freely given; if the unworthy seek it, it should be unhesitatingly refused.

In response to the circular from Department Headquarters, dated February 16, asking for a contribution from the Posts to pay the expenses of the delegation, \$251.25 were received. The expenses amounted to \$223.77, leaving a balance in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant-General of \$28.08.

FINANCE.

The report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General will present to you the financial condition of the Department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1881. This report, as has been the custom for several years, embraces the receipts for the last quarter of 1880 and the first, second and third quarters of 1881, while that of the last quarter of the present term, being larger than for several years, will be included in the report of next year. For the past few years, owing to the smallness of our numbers and the necessary expense of maintaining a Department Headquarters, we have been in debt to an amount varying from \$300.00 to \$450.00; this, for a long period, was provided for by borrowing from some comrade, until it was thought that, so long as an open account was kept with National Headquarters, the indebtedness might as well be to them as elsewhere. At the time of the meeting of the National Encampment at Indianapolis in June last, the several Posts of the Department were indebted to the Department for dues and supplies to the amount of \$809.35; this increased the indebtedness of the Department to National Headquarters, until at the time mentioned it amounted to \$1,281.49. While attending the session of the National Encampment and after consulting with many of the delegates who represented the Department, the indebtedness was settled by the Department Commander giving a personal note for the amount. The action of the Encampment instructing the Adjutant-General not to fill requisitions for supplies unless the same be accompanied by the money, caused the Department to adopt the same method, which has been most gratifying in its results; the Posts without an exception have paid their indebtedness, until, at the present time, but \$2.67 are owed the Department from this source. This

prompt settlement, with the reduction of the *per capita* tax from six cents to four, and the increase in revenue to the Department by the additional membership, has enabled us to take up the note of \$1,281.49 and to say today we are free from debt, with a balance of cash and supplies on hand amounting to \$350.00.

MEMBERSHIP.

On the first day of January, 1881, the Department of Massachusetts consisted of 129 Posts, with an aggregate membership of 8,880. During the year one Post, 146 of New Bedford, has surrendered its charter, and notwithstanding this and the losses by death and suspension, and the constant diminishing in numbers of that class of men from whom we can alone recruit our numbers, there are at the present time 138 Posts in the Department, with a total membership of 10,252 comrades. This gain of twelve Posts, nine absolutely new and three reorganizations, I do not attribute to any increased interest or energy on the part of the present Department officers over those of previous years, but rather the simple result of earnest and faithful labor of the individual comrade to gather into our ranks all who are entitled to associate with us as members of our organization. The time has not yet arrived when we should look for a decrease in our numbers; there are still thousands of soldiers and sailors who would make good and valuable members among us, and if we will but continue to labor,— if the Posts composing the Department would carefully canvass the soldiers in their respective localities who are not identified with us and properly present to them the influence and strength they would give to our noble work and Order by joining our ranks,— we can at the expiration of another year see still greater improvement in our membership.

In addition to the Posts constituted during the year, there are on file at Department Headquarters applications for charters from the towns of Pittsfield, Medway and Sandwich. These, I assure you, would not have been bequeathed to my successor had there been sufficient time to have organized the Posts previous to the meeting of the Convention.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

Within the past year, through the untiring energy of its projectors and the cheerful and hearty co-operation of friends, a Home for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors has been purchased, the building formally dedicated, and, by the bazaar recently held in its interest, a fund amounting to nearly forty-three thousand dollars has been established for its maintenance.

This, comrades, is the work of the Grand Army and its friends, and no more noble or worthy object can claim the atten-

tion and the benevolence of our organization than this. And when this Home shall be filled with the wounded and disabled who can feel that they are not the recipients of charity, but are enjoying the comforts of a home fairly earned by their services to their country,—when the sound of the *reveille* is heard and as the sun rises to adorn the day, the stars and stripes are hoisted; when the hill-top shall be dotted with the soldier in the army blue, with an empty sleeve, perhaps, *not* young and vigorous, but old and infirm; when all who are entitled to admission who did service in the army or navy during the War of the Rebellion can feel that, should misfortune assail them or friends forsake them, there is still one door open to them, where peace, happiness and comfort may be enjoyed,—when this shall have been accomplished, as it will assuredly be within a very short time, then we can say with pride and satisfaction that the Fraternity and Charity of our organization, with the earnest labors of many devoted hearts and hands, is consecrated to a work that will be remembered in years to come and long after our Order has ceased to exist, as the noblest achievement of the citizen soldiers of the Grand Army.

I would respectfully suggest as a method of assisting in defraying the annual expenses of the Home, that hereafter, on the first day of January in each year, the various Posts in the Department either contribute an amount *per capita*, or donate such a sum as their circumstances will permit.

GRAND ARMY GATHERINGS, CAMP-FIRES, ETC.

It has been my pleasure during the past year to participate in very many social gatherings of our Grand Army; and if in response to some of the kind and urgent invitations received, I have been obliged to decline, I assure you it has not been because of the location, distance, or the size of the Post, for with all such invitations I have considered their acceptance a matter of duty and have regretted exceedingly when I could not favorably respond.

The Department has been represented at sixty-four gatherings during the past year, fifty-six of which I have attended in person; and while I am of the opinion that the interest and usefulness of our organization is greatly promoted by these fraternal gatherings, where we live over again for a short period the scenes of the past and renew the friendships of those days when we went soldiering together, yet I have at times during the year that has just closed asked myself the question, What is to become of the Department Commander? He is human, and unless some provision is made to pacify his family, the benefit the Department will derive from his continued absence from home will but slightly

compensate him for the misunderstandings that may occur in the household.

I desire to call your attention once again to the subject of an encampment of all the Posts in the Department. The State, through its Legislature, has granted our organization the use of such camp and garrison equipage as we may desire, and I have recently petitioned the Legislature asking for the use of the camping ground at Framingham.

Among the very pleasant and enjoyable visits made by me during the summer, were my visits to the camp of the Posts of Middlesex County at Tyng's Island, on the Merrimac river; that of the Posts of Plymouth County at Brant Rock, on the South Shore, near Marshfield, and that of the Posts of Essex County at Balche's Grove, Groveland. Since the formation of County associations these annual gatherings have become quite popular with the comrades and are looked forward to with much interest and pleasure as a means of bringing together old associates and renewing the friendships of bye-gone days.

The annual encampment of the soldiers of Maine, New Hampshire and other States have, for the past three years, been most successful, and the expense to the comrades has been so greatly reduced as to come within the means of all. The Assistant Adjutant-General has such facts and figures relating to other encampments as will be of benefit to us in arranging for such a gathering. I am strongly of the opinion that an encampment of the Department, where all the soldiers of the State could be invited to participate, and where they could have the privilege of meeting their old commanders, would be of great benefit to us as an organization and do more than could possibly be done in any other manner to increase our numbers.

JURISDICTION.

While the Rules and Regulations of our Order are silent upon the question of jurisdiction, there are, I think, good reasons why it should be observed in this Department. It will be remembered that in my report of last year as Department Inspector, it was shown that nearly fifty per cent of the Posts in the Department numbered less than fifty comrades each. These Posts are located in the smaller towns of the Commonwealth and are not, generally speaking, in as flourishing a condition as those in the cities. It is not encouraging to either the officers or comrades of a Post, who are perhaps working earnestly to increase their numbers, to have the soldiers of their town admitted to another Post. If this is practised to any considerable extent the larger and more wealthy Posts will increase in strength to the injury of the smaller ones and the number of the Posts in the Department will ere long begin to diminish very rapidly.

I would respectfully suggest that the Convention, by resolution, recommend to the Posts in the Department the practice of the customary rules governing jurisdiction.

The time is very near at hand when I shall surrender to another the honors and responsibilities you so kindly invested me with one year ago, and before doing so I desire to express to all comrades, whether present or absent, my very great appreciation of their many kindnesses to me personally and my thanks for their earnest efforts to promote the interests and usefulness of the Department. To the officers of the Department and my personal staff, who have been so closely associated with me during the past year and who have expressed, by faithful and continued labor, their interest and attachment to the good work of our Order, I am greatly indebted; for through their kindness, hearty co-operation and prompt response to the demands made upon them have the labors of my position been made happy and enjoyable. To the Assistant Adjutant-General I feel we are all indebted; for while it is true that he is compensated for his labors to the Department, yet there are very many favors requested and expected of him entirely foreign to the duties of his office, that not only consume his time but are often a positive inconvenience and hindrance. For the past year his duties have been unusually laborious, for not only has he performed the work required of him in connection with the Department, but, as a labor of love and with a desire to promote the success of the Soldiers' Home, in which I believe we are all most heartily in sympathy with, he has labored unceasingly; and while very many are deserving of praise, his constant toil from the conception of the bazaar to its close, should not be forgotten.

And now, comrades, I can only express the hope that those of us who are soon to give place to others and those of us who have already stepped from the responsibilities of office to the no less honorable position among our comrades in the ranks, may be as interested and as zealous in working for our noble cause *out* of office as we have been in office. Let us falsify for once the charge that as officers we were workers, but as comrades we are drones. Let us all remember that there are none to take our places in the Grand Army; what our Order has accomplished in the past we ourselves have done; the good it may do in the future we must labor for.

Let us in our association together as the representatives of the loyalty of the citizen soldier of the republic, strive to exert such an influence as will teach those who in after years are to constitute the body politic of our nation, a greater love of country, a clearer and better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, that in the years to come the progress and advancement made through the trials of civil war may

be felt and enjoyed by all, and that our country still marching onward and developing to a more perfect state the possibilities of freedom, universal manhood, equal rights and justice to all men, may exert such an influence as to make the world better and mankind happier.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1881.

Department Commander and Comrades: In accordance with the requirements of our Order, I have the honor to present herewith my sixth annual report, which will cover the affairs of the Department for the year ending to date; and in view of the fact that I have prepared more elaborate tabulated reports than at any time previous, I will not worry you with any preparatory remarks, either congratulatory or otherwise, but will at once present to you the condition of the Department:—

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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1880 | 129 |
| “ Comrades reported in good standing same date, 8,889 | |
| “ Posts, Dec. 31, 1881 | 137 |
| “ Comrades reported in good standing same date, 10,252 | |
| A clear gain in membership for the year, of | 1,363 |

The above gain, by quarters, is shown by the reports to be as follows, viz. .—

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|--------------------------|-----|
| First quarter | 65 |
| Second quarter | 696 |
| Third quarter | 336 |
| Fourth quarter | 266 |

I present herewith a detailed report of the changes that have taken place in each Post during the year. This has been compiled with much care and I am sure that it will repay perusal, and trust it will be considered of sufficient importance to be made a part of the proceedings for the year. Realizing that the reading of this report might be tiresome, and would consume much valuable time, I will not read it unless called for.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1881.

| No. | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | Number remaining in good standing | DATE OF CHARTER | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------|
| | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorable Dis- charge | | | Total Loss | |
| 1 | 126 | 19 | 1 | 6 | 26 | 2 | ..... | 3 | 7 | ..... | 12 | 140 | Oct. 14, 1866 | |
| 2 | 96 | 18 | 1 | ..... | 19 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 113 | Feb. 26, 1880 | |
| 3 | 156 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 14 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | 9 | 161 | Jan. 2, 1867 | |
| 4 | 63 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 7 | ..... | 11 | 56 | Feb. 19, 1867 | |
| 5 | 492 | 117 | 10 | 167 | 294 | 8 | ..... | 3 | 168 | ..... | 179 | 607 | Feb. 27, 1867 | |
| 6 | 58 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 6 | ..... | 7 | 53 | Mch. 8, 1867 | |
| 7 | 154 | 28 | 4 | 26 | 58 | 3 | ..... | 13 | 51 | ..... | 67 | 145 | Mch. 11, 1867 | |
| 8 | 54 | 6 | ..... | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 3 | 57 | Mch. 10, 1867 | |
| 9 | 44 | 4 | 1 | 34 | 39 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 37 | ..... | 38 | 45 | May 27, 1867 | |
| 10 | 347 | 35 | 9 | 81 | 125 | 4 | ..... | 4 | 64 | ..... | 72 | 400 | April 13, 1867 | |
| 11 | 74 | 3 | ..... | 7 | 10 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 7 | ..... | 10 | 74 | April 23, 1867 | |
| 12 | 04 | 36 | 1 | 6 | 43 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 7 | ..... | 9 | 138 | Aug. 16, 1867 | |
| 13 | 56 | 3 | ..... | 5 | 8 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 7 | ..... | 9 | 55 | July 1, 1867 | |
| 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | * | |
| 15 | 176 | 49 | 9 | 21 | 79 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 27 | ..... | 40 | 215 | Aug. 6, 1867 | |
| 16 | 157 | 73 | 4 | 16 | 93 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 2 | ..... | 6 | 244 | Aug. 9, 1867 | |
| 17 | 53 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 12 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 6 | ..... | 9 | 56 | Aug. 9, 1867 | |
| 18 | 25 | 13 | 1 | 23 | 37 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 17 | ..... | 22 | 40 | Aug. 12, 1867 | |
| 19 | 143 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8 | ..... | 8 | 151 | Aug. 16, 1867 | |
| 20 | 25 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | 5 | 25 | Mch. 4, 1875 | |
| 21 | | 44 | 4 | | 48 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 47 | † | |
| 22 | 48 | 6 | ..... | 31 | 37 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 16 | ..... | 24 | 61 | Sept. 19, 1867 | |
| 23 | 83 | 10 | ..... | 4 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 7 | ..... | 15 | 82 | Sept. 17, 1867 | |
| 24 | 21 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 20 | Sept. 25, 1867 | |
| 25 | 17 | 7 | ..... | 2 | 9 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 24 | Sept. 30, 1867 | |
| 26 | 105 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 12 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 10 | ..... | 14 | 103 | Oct. 1, 1867 | |
| 27 | 32 | 10 | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 42 | Nov. 12, 1870 | | |
| 28 | 21 | 2 | ..... | 9 | 11 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 11 | ..... | 13 | 19 | Oct. 12, 1867 | |
| 29 | 56 | 18 | ..... | 2 | 20 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 | 74 | Oct. 21, 1867 | |
| 30 | 50 | 22 | 3 | 29 | 54 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11 | ..... | 11 | 93 | Oct. 23, 1867 | |
| 31 | 31 | 6 | ..... | 1 | 7 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 36 | July 15, 1875 | |
| 32 | 37 | 33 | ..... | 5 | 38 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 6 | ..... | 9 | 66 | Nov. 6, 1867 | |
| 33 | 106 | 11 | ..... | 5 | 17 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 26 | ..... | 29 | 94 | Nov. 6, 1867 | |
| 34 | 305 | 11 | ..... | 51 | 62 | 8 | ..... | 3 | 90 | ..... | 101 | 266 | Nov. 15, 1867 | |
| 35 | 197 | 74 | 7 | 59 | 104 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 42 | ..... | 53 | 284 | Nov. 16, 1867 | |
| 36 | | 39 | 2 | | 41 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 40 | ‡ | |
| 37 | 107 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 12 | ..... | 2 | 3 | 12 | ..... | 17 | 102 | Nov. 20, 1867 | |
| 38 | 30 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | 8 | 28 | Nov. 27, 1867 | |
| 39 | 233 | 49 | 2 | 11 | 62 | 1 | 2 | 13 | ..... | ..... | 16 | 279 | Dec. 10, 1867 | |
| 40 | 65 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 14 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 71 | Oct. 1, 1873 | |
| 41 | 10 | 18 | 3 | 12 | 33 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 42 | Jan. 9, 1868 | |
| 42 | 180 | 22 | 4 | 19 | 45 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 18 | ..... | 29 | 196 | Jan. 15, 1868 | |
| 43 | 110 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 14 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 7 | ..... | 11 | 113 | Jan. 15, 1868 | |
| 44 | 41 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 38 | May 17, 1868 | |
| 45 | 43 | 17 | 1 | 23 | 41 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 4 | ..... | 7 | 77 | Jan. 21, 1880 | |
| 46 | 135 | 22 | 1 | 34 | 57 | 5 | 2 | ..... | 60 | ..... | 67 | 125 | Jan. 22, 1868 | |
| 47 | 203 | 22 | 3 | 85 | 110 | 4 | ..... | 3 | 130 | ..... | 137 | 176 | Jan. 28, 1868 | |
| 48 | 32 | 4 | 2 | ..... | 6 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 5 | ..... | 8 | 30 | Jan. 18, 1868 | |
| 49 | 197 | 25 | 1 | 2 | 28 | 3 | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | 7 | 218 | Feb. 17, 1868 | |
| 50 | 132 | 7 | ..... | 10 | 17 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 16 | ..... | 20 | 129 | April 28, 1879 | |
| 51 | 60 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 8 | ..... | 11 | 53 | Feb. 28, 1868 | |
| 52 | 45 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 51 | Feb. 29, 1868 | |
| 53 | 84 | 9 | ..... | 2 | 11 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 3 | ..... | 5 | 90 | June 13, 1868 | |
| 54 | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 24 | June 20, 1868 | |
| 55 | 29 | 9 | ..... | 4 | 13 | 1 | ..... | 8 | 2 | ..... | 11 | 31 | Feb. 5, 1872 | |
| 56 | 53 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 24 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 6 | ..... | 8 | 69 | June 26, 1868 | |
| 57 | 52 | 13 | 1 | 28 | 42 | 5 | ..... | 4 | 6 | ..... | 15 | 79 | June 29, 1868 | |
| 58 | 175 | 26 | 2 | 169 | 197 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 176 | ..... | 180 | 192 | July 2, 1868 | |
| 59 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 26 | July 3, 1868 | |

* Not organized. † Organized Feb. 22, 1881. ‡ Organized May 26, 1881.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF ADJUTANT-GENERAL—*Continued.*

| No. | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing | DATE OF CHARTER |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorable Dis- charge | Total Loss | | |
| 60 | ..... | 30 | | | 30 | | | | | | | 30 | * |
| 61 | 82 | 9 | | 4 | 13 | | | 3 | 6 | | 9 | 86 | July 21, 1863 |
| 62 | 71 | 6 | | | 6 | | | | | | 1 | 76 | July 21, 1863 |
| 63 | 43 | 7 | | 3 | 10 | 1 | | | 3 | | 4 | 49 | July 23, 1880 |
| 64 | 79 | 6 | 2 | | 11 | | 3 | 1 | 20 | | 24 | 66 | Aug. 17, 1863 |
| 65 | 30 | 12 | | 6 | 18 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 44 | Aug. 21, 1863 |
| 66 | 88 | 6 | | 3 | 9 | 1 | | 2 | 3 | | 6 | 91 | Aug. 21, 1863 |
| 67 | 24 | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | 26 | Sept. 29, 1863 |
| 68 | 64 | 15 | 2 | 33 | 50 | | | 6 | 32 | | 38 | 76 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| 69 | 23 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 28 | Nov. 9, 1863 |
| 70 | 52 | 5 | | 13 | 18 | | 1 | | 24 | | 25 | 45 | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 71 | 59 | 21 | | 1 | 23 | 1 | | | 8 | | 9 | 73 | Nov. 25, 1863 |
| 72 | 33 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 9 | | | | | | 7 | 35 | Nov. 13, 1863 |
| 73 | 84 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 23 | 1 | | 2 | 5 | | 8 | 99 | Dec. 23, 1869 |
| 74 | 100 | 8 | | 5 | 8 | | 1 | | 3 | | 6 | 102 | Jan. 11, 1868 |
| 75 | 83 | 17 | 4 | 11 | 32 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 8 | | 12 | 103 | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 76 | 64 | 15 | 1 | 5 | 21 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 81 | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 77 | 23 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | | 24 | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78 | 108 | 3 | 5 | 23 | 31 | | | | 31 | | 31 | 108 | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 79 | 44 | 11 | | 2 | 13 | | 1 | 1 | 16 | | 18 | 39 | Mch. 20, 1869 |
| 80 | 59 | | | | 59 | | | | | | | 59 | † |
| 81 | 34 | 3 | 1 | 18 | 22 | | | 3 | 16 | | 19 | 37 | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 82 | 80 | 21 | | 4 | 25 | 2 | | 1 | 7 | | 10 | 95 | Mch. 29, 1880 |
| 83 | 37 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 38 | April 29, 1869 |
| 84 | 17 | 6 | | 4 | 10 | | | 1 | 5 | | 7 | 20 | April 17, 1872 |
| 85 | 31 | 3 | | | 3 | | 1 | | | | 1 | 33 | May 12, 1869 |
| 86 | 19 | 3 | | | 1 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 21 | May 26, 1860 |
| 87 | 32 | | | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 30 | June 2, 1869 |
| 88 | 46 | 11 | 2 | 17 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 8 | | 16 | 60 | June 4, 1869 |
| 89 | 126 | 14 | | 42 | 56 | 5 | | 1 | 59 | | 65 | 117 | June 5, 1869 |
| 90 | 85 | 3 | 3 | 21 | 27 | 1 | | 1 | 19 | | 21 | 91 | June 8, 1869 |
| 91 | 31 | 1 | | | 1 | | 2 | | | | 2 | 30 | June 12, 1869 |
| 92 | 45 | 7 | | | 7 | | | | 5 | | 5 | 47 | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 93 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 20 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 49 | Nov. 15, 1869 |
| 94 | 52 | 10 | | | 10 | | | | | | | 62 | June 24, 1869 |
| 95 | 34 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | 11 | | 12 | 23 | June 4, 1869 |
| 96 | 25 | | | 2 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 24 | June 28, 1869 |
| 97 | 10 | 27 | | 7 | 34 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 43 | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 98 | 17 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 18 | Aug. 3, 1877 |
| 99 | 55 | 1 | | | 56 | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 | 54 | ‡ |
| 100 | 57 | 21 | 3 | 1 | 25 | | | | 9 | | 9 | 73 | Feb. 1, 1877 |
| 101 | 51 | 5 | | 2 | 7 | | 1 | | 6 | | 7 | 51 | July 16, 1869 |
| 102 | 48 | 9 | 3 | | 12 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 8 | 52 | April 3, 1879 |
| 103 | 61 | 16 | | 3 | 19 | | 1 | 1 | 22 | | 24 | 56 | Oct. 27, 1879 |
| 104 | 57 | 8 | | 1 | 9 | | | | | | 66 | 56 | July 29, 1869 |
| 105 | | 29 | 2 | | 31 | | | | | | 31 | 31 | § |
| 106 | | 27 | | | 27 | | | | | | 27 | 27 | ¶ |
| 107 | | 28 | 1 | | 29 | | | | | | 29 | 29 | \|\| |
| 108 | 33 | 5 | | 15 | 20 | | | | 22 | | 22 | 31 | Aug. 18, 1869 |
| 109 | 19 | | | | 18 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 18 | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 110 | 22 | | | 30 | 30 | | | 4 | 12 | | 16 | 36 | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 111 | 34 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 | 33 | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112 | 81 | | | | | | | | 4 | | 4 | 27 | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 113 | 68 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | | | 9 | | 10 | 65 | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 114 | 56 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | 2 | | | 2 | 56 | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 115 | 41 | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | 40 | July 30, 1874 |
| 116 | 32 | 12 | | 12 | 24 | 2 | | | 4 | | 6 | 50 | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 117 | 19 | | | 2 | 2 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 20 | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 118 | 30 | 7 | | 2 | 9 | | | | 8 | | 8 | 31 | Jan. 24, 1870 |

* Organized May 16, 1881.

† Organized June 18, 1881.

‡ Organized April 18, 1881.

§ Organized July 15, 1881.

¶ Reorganized Dec. 30, 1881.

|| Organized July 18, 1881.

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| No. | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing | DATE OF CHARTER |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorable Dis- charge | Total Loss | | |
| 119 | 17 | 14 | | | | | | | | | | 17 | |
| 120 | | 10 | 1 | | 105 | | | | | | | 105 | ** |
| 121 | 100 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 18 | | | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 114 | Mch. 22, 1870 |
| 122 | 32 | 3 | | 6 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | | 8 | 40 | Mch. 23, 1870 |
| 123 | 55 | | | 11 | 15 | | 2 | 6 | 4 | | 12 | 58 | June 1, 1870 |
| 124 | 12 | 3 | | 9 | 12 | | | 1 | 4 | | 5 | 19 | June 7, 1870 |
| 125 | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 126 | 28 | | | 7 | 10 | | | | 4 | | 4 | 34 | June 12, 1870 |
| 127 | 29 | | | 15 | 19 | | | | 23 | | 23 | 25 | June 11, 1870 |
| 128 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 129 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 130 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 131 | 43 | | | 11 | 12 | | | 1 | 6 | | 7 | 48 | June 21, 1870 |
| 132 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 133 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 134 | 36 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 13 | | 14 | 23 | June 29, 1870 |
| 135 | 17 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 18 | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136 | 11 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 11 | July 1, 1870 |
| 137 | | 13 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 138 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 139 | 68 | | 2 | 6 | 21 | | | 2 | 15 | | 17 | 72 | Aug. 18, 1870 |
| 140 | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 141 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 142 | 35 | 1 | | 2 | 6 | 1 | | | 2 | | 3 | 38 | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 143 | 52 | 10 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | 9 | | 10 | 43 | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144 | 46 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | 46 | May 22, 1871 |
| 145 | 68 | | | 4 | 14 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 80 | June 6, 1871 |
| 146 | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | †† | * |
| 147 | | 6 | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 148 | 34 | | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | 35 | May 22, 1872 |
| 149 | 26 | | | 6 | 12 | | | 3 | 12 | | 15 | 23 | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 150 | | | | | | | | | | | | * | * |
| 151 | 19 | 104 | | | | | | | 5 | | 5 | 14 | Jan. 10, 1874 |

** Organized Oct. 26, 1881.

* Not organized.

†† Disbanded January, 1881.

Of the 137 Posts comprising the Department, 95 have gained in membership, 7 have the same number as one year ago, and 35 have lost in number.

The foregoing report shows that the following changes have taken place in the membership of the Department during the year:—

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|--|-------|
| Number of comrades gained by muster-in . . . | 1,796 |
| “ “ “ transfer . . . | 141 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement . . . | 1,439 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total gain | 3,376 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 110 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge . . . | 48 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 201 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 1,641 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge, . . | 1 |
| “ “ “ disbanding of Post 146, . . | 12 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total loss | 2,013 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 1,363 |
| Number of rejections during the year | 60 |

POSTS.

Only one Post has surrendered its charter during the year, viz., Post 146 of New Bedford. This Post was composed of colored comrades and consequently had a small and limited membership, and against great odds they struggled manfully for an existence, but without avail. It is to be hoped that these comrades will not be lost to the Order and I think I express the wish of the mass of the comrades of this Department when I hope that the *mother* Post of the Department will take such as are worthy within her membership and thus illustrate “the broad foundation stone on which our Order rests.”

Two Posts have been reconstructed during the year, viz., 41 of Westfield and 97 of Belchertown. These two Posts, through misfortune and the changes in business and population, ceased to make their reports in 1878, and the Department officers of that and succeeding years had allowed them to retain their books and charters, with the expectation on one hand and the promise on the other, that they would “come out all right,” and so it proved; they each paid the *per capita* tax for ten quarters and both have over four times as many members today as they started with six months ago, and with them it is clearly proven that nothing “succeeds like success.”

Post 106 of Rockport has been reorganized with its original name and number and while it is the baby Post of the year,—having been reorganized on December 30,—I believe that it will be of credit to itself and the Department.

Eight new Posts have been organized as follows: —

| | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|----------|
| Post 21 | Boston. | Post 99 | Andover. |
| “ 36 | Arlington. | “ 105 | Upton. |
| “ 60 | Franklin. | “ 107 | Palmer. |
| “ 80 | Westboro. | “ 120 | Lowell. |

These Posts were started under favorable auspices and with a membership varying from 22 to 105.

MISSIONARY WORK.

I beg your indulgence for a moment while I refer to the missionary work that has been done in the Department during the past year. In the early spring a circular was prepared, concisely giving the reasons why the Grand Army was in existence, what it existed for, what it had done, and what it hoped to accomplish. A blank was also prepared which was forwarded with a circular letter to the town clerk in over sixty of the large towns of the Commonwealth, where there were no Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, asking for the names of at least six of the most prominent ex-soldiers or sailors of the town, regardless of wealth, politics or religion, and in nearly every instance the information was cheerfully given. To the addresses thus obtained the missionary circulars, together with blank applications for charter, were sent, and out of that grew a call for information regarding the Grand Army of the Republic. This was readily given, in many instances by personal visits, but more generally by correspondence, and out of that has grown the interest in the Order from all sections of the State, as shown not only by the new Posts and by the applications for charter for at least three more now on file and awaiting muster, but by the anxious inquiries relative to other new Posts and the prospect of speedy organization. I believe that but a little work will be necessary to restore the membership of the Department to the number reached in its palmiest days, and certainly the vacant numbers on our Roster can be filled and the end referred to attained, previous to May 30.

COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS AND THEIR WORK.

I desire again to put myself on record as having much faith in county organizations when properly conducted, as those in this State are today. They may be made the mediums of increasing

our growth; but, best of all, they present an opportunity for the illustration and extension of what must be the main corner-stone of our existence, viz., fraternity.

I would urge the immediate organization of a county organization wherever one does not exist, as by so doing Posts and comrades may become better acquainted and not only exchange plans for promoting the growth and interest of the Posts, but also see to it that every town and village in such county is represented in our Order wherever an efficient number of eligible persons may be found. There are many towns in this Commonwealth where we should have a branch of our organization, and basing my calculations on having a Post in every town of 2,000 inhabitants or over,—and there are a number of good Posts in towns of less than that number,—the following summary by counties may be interesting:—

Barnstable County has no Post within her limits, but she has eight towns large enough for our needs. We have just received an application for a charter from Sandwich and one partially promised from Harwich.

Berkshire County has two Posts, with a membership of 73. Pittsfield has just moved in the matter and decided to organize and there is room for at least eight more.

Bristol County has six Posts, with a membership of 588, and there ought to be at least three more Posts within her borders.

Essex County has twenty-one Posts, with a membership of 2,481. There is still room for more Posts and a consequent gain in membership.

Franklin County has four Posts with a membership of 150. The number of Posts might be doubled without exhausting all the material.

Hampden County has 444 comrades in five Posts, and that record might also be doubled.

Hampshire County is struggling along with 76 comrades in two Posts, where there should be at least eight Posts.

Middlesex County has twenty-seven Posts, but the total number of comrades is 1,875. Five new Posts should be created here without delay.

Norfolk County has a membership of 750, distributed through thirteen Posts; a little effort would carry the number of comrades to 1,000 or 1,200 and increase the Posts by six.

Plymouth County has a Post in every town of 2,000 inhabitants and over, but there is need of more earnest work in Posts, so that the membership of the thirteen Posts will aggregate more than 746, as at present.

Suffolk County has fourteen Posts, with a membership of 1,363. Considering the vast population, it is fair to assume that there should be at least 5,000 comrades in this great center.

Worcester County closes the list with the largest number of Posts, viz., thirty, and the third largest number of comrades, viz., 1,706. There should be at least five or six more Posts, with a large proportionate increase in membership.

Therefore it will be seen that a little earnest work by comrades, as well as officers, will double our present membership and add at least fifty Posts to our Department.

I submit herewith the condition of the organization by counties, giving the Posts numerically and the date of charter of each: —

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------|
| 79, North Adams, | 39, | Mar. 20, | 1869 |
| 126, Adams, | 34, | June 12, | 1870 |
| Total — Posts, 2; members, 73. | | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|------|----------|------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 140, | Oct. 14, | 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 161, | Jan. 2, | 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 125, | Jan. 22, | 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 51, | Feb. 29, | 1868 |
| 55, Taunton, | 31, | Feb. 5, | 1872 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 80, | June 6, | 1871 |
| Total — Posts, 6; members, 588. | | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|-----------|------|
| 5, Lynn, | 607, | Feb. 27, | 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 266, | Nov. 15, | 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 279, | Dec. 10, | 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 77, | Jan. 21, | 1880 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 176, | Jan. 28, | 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 218, | Feb. 17, | 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 129, | April 28, | 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 26, | Sept. 29, | 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 95, | Mar. 29, | 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 117, | June 5, | 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 91, | June 8, | 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 23, | June 4, | 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 54, | April 18, | 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 73, | Feb. 1, | 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 51, | July 16, | 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 27, | Dec. 30, | 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 31, | Aug. 18, | 1869 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 56, | Dec. 20, | 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 31, | Jan. 24, | 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 40, | Mar. 23, | 1870 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 14, | Jan. 10, | 1874 |
| Total — Posts, 21; members, 2,481. | | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----------|------|
| 17, Orange, | 56, | Aug. 9, | 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 25, | March 4, | 1875 |
| 84, South Deerfield, | 20, | April 17, | 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 49, | June 15, | 1869 |
| Total — Posts, 4; members, 150. | | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|------|----------|------|
| 16, Springfield, | 244, | Aug. 9, | 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 42, | Jan. 9, | 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 73, | Nov. 25, | 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 56, | Oct. 27, | 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 29, | July 18, | 1881 |
| Total — Posts, 5; members, 444. | | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------|
| 85, Ware, | 33, | May 12, | 1869 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 43, | Nov. 23, | 1872 |
| Total — Posts, 2; members, 76. | | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------|------|
| 4, Melrose, | 56, | Feb. 19, | 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 53, | March 8, | 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 45, | May 27, | 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 138, | Aug. 16, | 1867 |
| 18, Ashland, | 40, | Aug. 12, | 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 74, | Oct. 21, | 1867 |
| 30, Cambridge, | 93, | Oct. 23, | 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 94, | Nov. 6, | 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 40, | May 26, | 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 71, | Oct. 1, | 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 196, | Jan. 15, | 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 113, | Jan. 15, | 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 30, | Jan. 18, | 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 69, | June 26, | 1868 |
| 57, Cambridge, | 79, | June 29, | 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 76, | July 21, | 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 49, | July 23, | 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 91, | Aug. 21, | 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 103, | Dec. 15, | 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 37, | Dec. 20, | 1871 |
| 86, Maynard, | 21, | May 26, | 1869 |
| 115, Groton, | 40, | July 30, | 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 17, | | |
| 120, Lowell, | 105, | Oct. 26, | 1881 |
| 139, Somerville, | 72, | Aug. 18, | 1870 |
| 142, Framingham, | 38, | Nov. 29, | 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 35, | May 22, | 1872 |
| Total — Posts, 27; members, 1,875. | | | |

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------|------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 192, | July 2, | 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 30, | May 16, | 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 35, | Nov. 13, | 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 30, | June 2, | 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 60, | June 4, | 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 30, | June 12, | 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 62, | June 24, | 1869 |
| 102, Milton, | 52, | April 3, | 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 36, | Oct. 29, | 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 20, | Jan. 3, | 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 114, | Mar. 22, | 1870 |
| 143, Brookline, | 43, | Jan. 24, | 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 46, | May 22, | 1871 |
| Total — Posts, 13; members, 750. | | | |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 57, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 55, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 36, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 99, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 102, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 81, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 108, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 38, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 66, | July 29, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 33, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 27, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 19, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 25, | June 11, 1870 |
| Total — Posts, 13; members, 746. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 113, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 145, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 74, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 215, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 47, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 82, | Sept. 17, 1867 |
| 26, Roxbury, | 103, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 66, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 284, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 76, | Oct. 8, 1868 |
| 92, Brighton, | 47, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 65, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 23, | June 28, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 23, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| Total — Posts, 14; members, 1,363. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 400, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 151, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 61, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 20, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 24, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 42, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 19, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 102, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 28, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 38, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 53, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 90, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 24, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 26, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 86, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 66, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 44, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 28, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 45, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 24, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 59, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 24, | June 28, 1869 |
| 98, Princeton, | 18, | Aug. 3, 1877 |
| 105, Upton, | 31, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 18, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 50, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 58, | June 1, 1870 |
| 131, Leicester, | 48, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 18, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 11, | July 1, 1870 |
| Total — Posts, 30; members, 1,706. | | |

HEADQUARTERS.

The volume of business has increased very materially during the year, as in fact it has every year since I have been at headquarters, so that there is four or five times as much correspondence as there was as many years ago; and to conduct this correspondence for the past year it has required twenty-two hundred letter-heads, nineteen hundred postal cards, and \$136 worth of postage stamps. Eleven General Orders, seventy-one Special Orders and six Circulars have been issued during the year.

Now, comrades, with an abiding faith in the glory of our organization, with the hope and trust that it shall continue to exemplify the three great principles under which we labor, and with a grateful appreciation of many favors extended to me during the year, I submit this report in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1881.

JAMES F. MEECH, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: In accordance with the requirements of our Order I submit herewith a statement of the doings of the Assistant Quartermaster-General's department for the year ending to date.

RECEIPTS.

| 1881. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|---|------------|----------------|
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$100 35 | |
| Received for dues, fourth quarter, 1878 | 1 60 | |
| “ “ first, second, third and fourth quarters, 1879 | 6 40 | |
| “ “ first, second and third quarters, 1880 | 8 08 | |
| “ “ fourth quarter, 1880 | 712 18 | |
| “ “ first quarter, 1881 | 716 32 | |
| “ “ second quarter, 1881 | 772 00 | |
| “ “ third quarter, 1881 | 798 88 | |
| “ “ books and blanks | 298 22 | |
| “ “ badges | 1,181 55 | |
| “ “ sundries | 142 65 | |
| Total receipts | | \$4,738 23 |
| Total expenditures | | 4,705 06 |
| Balance cash on hand | | <u>\$33 17</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| 1881. | <i>Cr.</i> | |
| Paid inspection expenses for 1880 | \$2 50 | |
| “ Department Inspector, as per vote of Council | 50 00 | |
| “ National Headquarters for supplies, badges, books, etc. | 1,475 50 | |
| “ National Headquarters for dues | 467 03 | |
| “ Salary of Assistant Adjutant-General | 1,300 00 | |
| “ Rent and care of Headquarters | 350 00 | |
| “ for printing and furnishing General Orders, circulars, rosters, blanks, envelopes, books, etc. | 518 98 | |
| “ postage stamps, postal cards and office expenses | 204 32 | |
| “ printing Proceedings | 70 00 | |
| “ missionary work and organizing new Posts | 100 32 | |
| “ sundries, such as badge ribbon, decorating and draping Headquarters, May 30, and at death of President Garfield | 86 90 | |
| “ Inspector's expenses for 1881 | 79 51 | |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$4,705 06</u> |

Vouchers No. 401, 413, 461 to 528, 530, 534, 536 cover the above expenses.

ASSETS.

| | | |
|---|----------|-------------------|
| Dues received from Posts for fourth quarter, 1881 | \$820 16 | |
| Due from Posts for sundries | 2 64 | |
| Value of supplies on hand | 364 00 | |
| “ “ office furniture | 175 00 | |
| “ “ colors | 30 00 | |
| Total assets | | <u>\$1,391 80</u> |
| Total liabilities | | <u>834 01</u> |
| Excess of assets over liabilities | | <u>\$557 79</u> |

LIABILITIES.

| | | |
|---|----------|-----------------|
| National Headquarters, for supplies | \$481 48 | |
| “ “ “ dues | 102 53 | |
| James F. Meech, as per vote of Encampment of 1881 | 200 00 | |
| Inspection expenses, estimated | 50 00 | |
| Total liabilities | | <u>\$834 01</u> |

E. T. RAYMOND,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

Approved:

CHARLES A. STOTT,
 BENJ. A. BRIDGES,
 W. A. SLOANE,
Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1881.

JAMES F. MEECH, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith the report in duplicate of the inspections of the Posts of this Department for the year ending Sept. 30, 1881.

At the present time the Department numbers 137 Posts, new Posts having been organized during the year, as follows: —

| | | | | | |
|---------|-------|------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Post 21 | . . . | Boston. | Post 99 | . . . | Andover. |
| " 36 | . . . | Arlington. | " 105 | . . . | Upton. |
| " 60 | . . . | Franklin. | " 107 | . . . | Palmer. |
| " 80 | . . . | Westboro. | " 120 | . . . | Lowell. |

Post 106 reorganized at Rockport with original number, and Posts 41, Westfield, and 97, Belchertown, have been reconstructed.

Of the 137 Posts in the Department, 128 have been inspected.

Of the number not visited, two have been organized during the last quarter and one was excused at the request of the Commander, leaving six Posts which have been neglected.

It is a matter for regret that every Post organized previous to September 30 has not been inspected, and it is to be hoped that previous to the next annual tour some plan will be devised so that no Post will be neglected; and all comrades detailed as Assistant Inspectors who may find themselves unable to perform the duties assigned them will be required to notify the Department in time to admit of making new arrangements.

The 128 Posts inspected report 9,955 comrades in good standing, being a gain of 1,104 over the Inspector's report of last year.

Twenty-eight Posts are reported to be in excellent condition, 60 in good condition, 29 in fair condition, and 11 in poor condition.

Two Posts in the Department number more than 300 comrades, namely, Post 5 of Lynn, 641, and Post 10 of Worcester, 385; three Posts, 34 of Salem, 35 of Chelsea and 39 of Lawrence, number between 250 and 300; four Posts, 15 of Boston, 16 of Springfield, 49 of Newburyport and 58 of Weymouth, number between 200 and 250; five Posts number between 150 and 200; twelve Posts number between 100 and 150; fourteen Posts number between 75 and 100; thirty-one Posts number between 50 and 75; forty-two Posts number between 25 and 50; eleven Posts number between 20 and 25; four Posts number less than 20.

By this classification it appears that of the 128 Posts, fifty-seven number less than 50 comrades each, being two less than last year, when five less Posts were inspected.

Ninety-nine Posts report Relief Funds amounting in the aggregate to \$77,029.60 ; being a gain over last year of \$14,821.71.

Twenty-nine Posts report no Relief Fund.

One hundred and two Posts report expenditures for relief for the year ending Sept. 30, 1881, amounting to \$20,521.69 ; an increase over last year of \$1,229.92.

Twenty-six Posts report no expenditure for relief.

The largest Relief Fund reported by any Post is \$11,336.60, by Post 5 of Lynn.

The largest amount expended for relief by any one Post is \$2,693, also by Post 5.

Twenty-five Posts pay weekly benefits in case of sickness or disability to comrades, for terms of eight weeks or more, averaging \$2.94 per week.

One Post, 90 of Danvers, pays \$2.00 per week in like cases, to soldiers not members of the Order, for twenty-six weeks.

One hundred and three Posts report 734 muskets owned by Posts. Twenty-three Posts report no muskets.

Previous to beginning the inspections it was deemed advisable to have an exemplification of the work of the Order at some central point, for the guidance of the Inspectors, and to enable them to have a common standard from which to judge their Posts.

Accordingly an invitation was extended to Theo. Winthrop Post No. 35 of Chelsea, to perform that duty before the officers of the Department, and having been accepted by the Post, it was attended by the largest representation of the Department officers that has assembled during the year and the work was presented in a manner which, I am confident, has never been equalled by any Post in the jurisdiction of the Grand Army of the Republic, being given with a fidelity to details which merits the heartiest commendation and which should cause the comrades of that Post to take pride in the officers of their choice.

The changes in the Ritual which have been made during the last few years have effected more uniformity in the performance of the work among the larger Posts, but there are nearly one-half of the Posts in the Department that are utterly unable to perform the work strictly according to the Ritual, by reason of lack of numbers ; and such Posts cannot be held to such an unvarying standard as should be done were the numbers more nearly equal.

From my experience during the past year, and as Assistant Inspector in former years, I am convinced that the proper time for inspection and instruction in the work of the Order is at the beginning of the year, when the officers are fresh to their duties and not during the last quarter.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing. | Is the work in the Ritual properly performed? | Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped? | Are the members uniformed and equipped? | How many muskets are owned by the Post? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | Are the members regular in their attendance? | Do they exhibit an interest in the Post? | Are all the records complete and well kept? | Are orders received regularly and read to the Post? |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| W. L. Rodman..... | 1 | 141 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 111 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 160 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 61 | No | Yes | No | None | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 641 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 58 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 53 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 152 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. W. Peirce..... | 8 | 57 | Yes | Yes | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reno..... | 9 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 385 | Yes | Yes | No | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 74 | No | Yes | No | 12 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 137 | No | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 211 | Yes | Yes | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 234 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 55 | No | No | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 42 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. V. Sumner..... | 19 | 152 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 23 | Yes | No | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 42 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Dutch | Yes |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 61 | No | Yes | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 85 | Yes | No | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 20 | No | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 21 | No | No | No | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| T. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 101 | Yes | No | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 37 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 21 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 72 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Fair | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 95 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 36 | Yes | Yes | No | 1 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Washington..... | 32 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 94 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 262 | Yes | Yes | No | 20 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 264 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 42 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 103 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 27 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Needham..... | 39 | 269 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 31 | No | No | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 198 | No | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 111 | No | Yes | No | 19 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 39 | No | No | No | 4 | No | No | Fair | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 115 | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Major How..... | 47 | 179 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 34 | ..... | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 212 | Yes | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Union..... | 50 | 126 | No | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 95 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 24 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | 30 | ..... | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 65 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 79 | No | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 205 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 26 | Yes | Yes | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 27 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 83 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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| Are they duly observed? | Numbers of orders from National Headquarters missing. | Numbers of orders from Department Headquarters missing. | Have all reports and taxes been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in. | Amount charged for <i>per capita</i> taxes, quarterly. | Are benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes? | How much money is in the relief fund? | Is this money systematically dispensed? | Total amount expended for charity for year. | What are the prospects for the future? |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$1 00 | \$2 00 | Yes | \$2 00 | Yes | \$851 98 | Yes | \$154 28 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | No | Yes | 702 18 | Yes | 29 75 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 65 | No | No | Yes | 1,771 64 | Yes | 230 57 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | No | Yes | 25 00 | Yes | 12 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 11,336 60 | Yes | 2,693 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 17 57 | Yes | 125 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 89 50 | Yes | 175 45 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | No | Yes | 377 16 | Yes | 22 35 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 1,742 74 | Yes | 122 65 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 119 15 | Yes | 1,318 70 | Excellent |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,767 00 | Yes | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | No | Yes | 657 40 | Yes | 700 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 50 | 75 | No | No | Yes | 1,605 91 | Yes | 480 35 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 50 39 | Yes | 189 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 101 67 | Yes | 80 73 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 200 00 | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 4 34 | Yes | 60 89 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,708 40 | Yes | 192 21 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 122 41 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 133 00 | Yes | 50 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,030 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 08 | Yes | 268 81 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 20 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 15 | No | ..... | Yes | 103 00 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 10 00 | Yes | 125 00 | Good |
| Yes | 6 & 7 | 3 & 6 | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 40 00 | Yes | 43 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 138 10 | Yes | 23 46 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 719 14 | Yes | 121 78 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 80 73 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 355 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 18 00 | Yes | 23 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 565 31 | Yes | 140 88 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 307 34 | Yes | 1,017 19 | Good |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 676 37 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 38 | No | ..... | Yes | 461 06 | Yes | 132 67 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 179 28 | Yes | 30 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 4,680 50 | Yes | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | No. 4 | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,237 02 | Yes | 143 55 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | ..... | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| No | ..... | ..... | Yes | 8 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 4,219 52 | Yes | 1,604 88 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,491 37 | Yes | 30 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 63 25 | Yes | 1 45 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 160 14 | Yes | 6 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 94 00 | Yes | 54 50 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | No | ..... | ..... | 666 02 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 564 30 | ..... | 73 30 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 7 80 | Yes | 161 30 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 933 97 | Yes | 436 19 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 116 93 | Yes | 32 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | 8 & 9 | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 159 87 | Yes | 125 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 654 19 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 221 62 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 65 | No | ..... | Yes | 20 00 | Yes | 35 38 | Fair |
| Yes | 13, 14 | 3, 4, 8, 9 | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 273 35 | Yes | 117 63 | Fair |
| Yes | One | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 409 40 | Yes | 224 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 9,000 00 | Yes | 896 11 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 290 00 | Yes | 30 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | | | | | | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | Yes | 279 46 | Yes | 74 54 | Excellent |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of Members in good standing. | Is the work in the Ritual properly performed? | Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped? | Are the members uniformed and equipped? | How many muskets are owned by the Post? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | Are the members regular in their attendance? | Do they exhibit an interest in the Post? | Are all the records complete and well kept? | Are orders received regularly and read to the Post? |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 76 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... | Yes |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 47 | Yes | Yes | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 72 | No | Yes | Yes | 5 | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 44 | Yes | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Allen..... | 67 | 26 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 79 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. R. Rice..... | 69 | 29 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 42 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 76 | No | No | No | 8 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 31 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 96 | Yes | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 103 | Yes | No | Yes | 4 | Yes | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 73 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 78 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 24 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 100 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 47 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 34 | Yes | No | Yes | 6 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 92 | Yes | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Not inspected.] | 83 | | | | | | | | | | |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 25 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 34 | Yes | No | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Henry Wilson..... | 86 | 20 | No | No | No | 3 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | 32 | ..... | Yes | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 65 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 117 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ward..... | 90 | 89 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 29 | ..... | Yes | Yes | 2 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 50 | Fair | No | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 48 | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Revere..... | 94 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... | Yes |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 32 | No | No | No | 8 | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 24 | No | No | No | 4 | No | No | No | Yes | ..... |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 42 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... |
| [Not inspected.] | 98 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. B. Green..... | 100 | 73 | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 56 | No | Yes | Yes | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 56 | Fair | Yes | Yes | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 63 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. Orson Fisk..... | 105 | 27 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 30 | No | No | No | None | ..... | ..... | Yes | ..... | ..... |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 29 | No | Yes | Yes | 18 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 18 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 36 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Not inspected.] | 111 | | | | | | | | | | |
| [Not inspected.] | 112 | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 70 | No | No | No | None | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 40 | No | No | Yes | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 48 | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 20 | Yes | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 31 | No | No | No | 12 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Not inspected.] | 119 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 113 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 38 | Yes | No | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Parker..... | 123 | 48 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$1 00 | \$1 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | Yes | \$1,500 00 | Yes | \$103 48 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | | No | | | | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 12 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 202 04 | Yes | 9 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 12 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 132 81 | Yes | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1,100 00 | Yes | 842 84 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | 4, 8, 9 | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 12 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 390 00 | Yes | 4 47 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 33 44 | Yes | 50 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 50 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 35 60 | Fair |
| No | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 144 84 | Yes | 269 89 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | ..... | 1,100 00 | Yes | 60 00 | Good |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 12 00 | 75 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 1,125 00 | ..... | 400 00 | Good |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,296 00 | Yes | 419 07 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 793 43 | Yes | 300 84 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 246 25 | Yes | 20 50 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,400 00 | Yes | 279 71 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 23 65 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 4 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | 3 & 8 | 3 & 5 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 2 50 | Yes | 50 20 | Yes | 25 65 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 653 97 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 7 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 185 87 | Yes | 14 30 | Good |
| No | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 25 86 | Yes | 1 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 441 90 | Yes | 48 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 152 45 | Yes | 15 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,042 32 | Yes | 776 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 1,934 24 | Yes | 153 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 58 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 442 09 | Yes | 331 29 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | 282 99 | Yes | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | ..... | ..... | Yes | 485 21 | Yes | 100 50 | Excellent |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 120 00 | Yes | ..... | Poor |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 51 25 | Yes | 45 00 | Fair |
| ..... | 1-5, 7 | All | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 100 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | No | ..... | ..... | 38 98 | Good |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1 00 | 83 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 15 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 155 17 | Yes | 75 20 | Fair |
| Yes | 5 | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 79 40 | Yes | 5 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | ..... | ..... | Yes | 446 06 | Yes | 58 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 13 90 | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 199 03 | Yes | 41 30 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | Yes | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 434 83 | Yes | 49 75 | Good |
| No | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 1 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,229 00 | Yes | 75 50 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 10 | No | ..... | Yes | 55 00 | Yes | 10 88 | Fair |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 17 65 | Yes | 9 00 | Good |
| Yes | No. 5 | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 416 00 | Yes | 1 00 | Fair |
| Yes | ..... | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 33 | No | ..... | Yes | 44 82 | Yes | 5 00 | Fair |
| Yes | 16, 17 | None | Yes | 1 75 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,266 12 | Yes | 235 69 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 90 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 160 00 | Yes | 128 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | No | | | 11 50 | Good |

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|-------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | | | Yes | \$3 00 | \$1 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | Yes | \$607 44 | | \$206 42 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | No | | | 100 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | No | | Yes | 484 70 | Yes | 78 00 | Good |
| Yes | | | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | | No | | No | 67 11 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 25 | No | | No | | No | | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | | No | | No | | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | | Yes | 736 23 | Yes | 130 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | | Yes | 88 00 | Yes | 193 55 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 25 | No | | Yes | 417 84 | No | 6 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | Yes | 773 32 | Yes | 99 07 | Good |
| No | | | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | | Yes | 680 35 | Yes | 59 52 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | | Yes | 6 00 | Yes | 1 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 05 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 260 00 | Yes | 18 00 | Fair |

The total expense for inspection during the past year has been \$128.10.

In conclusion I desire to express my hearty thanks to all the comrades with whom I have had official connection during the year, and particularly to the Assistant Adjutant-General for continuous courtesies and unvarying kindness.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

WILLIAM L. BAIRD,
Inspector.

REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE.

BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1882.

GEORGE W. CREASEY, *Commander Dept. of Mass., G.A.R.*

Commander and Comrades: I herewith submit my report as Judge Advocate for the current official year.

Eight opinions, involving twenty-one distinct propositions, have been rendered in cases regularly referred for my decision.

Appeals have been taken in two instances, in the first of which the decision of this Department was sustained and in the second it was overruled.

I have been called upon to review the proceedings of but one court-martial.

Nearly all the questions submitted to me were upon a proper construction of the Rules and Regulations and to these I have cheerfully given my time and attention, because such an unusual amount of business coming to my department indicated that the members of our Order respected the Rules and Regulations established for our government and desired to be guided by them in every particular. And this observation leads me to remark that I find among the comrades generally a very intelligent conception of the meaning and intent of the written law of the Order. I desire, however, to call attention, more particularly of Post Commanders and Adjutants, to the importance of strictly complying with the requirements of the Rules and Regulations in regard to official correspondence and the right of appeal. All the necessary forms of correspondence are to be found on pp. 38, 39 of the pamphlet entitled, "Manual for the Guidance of the Grand Army of the Republic," a copy of which is or should be in the possession of each Post Commander. The matter and manner of appeals is also fully set forth on page 22 of said manual.

My attention has recently been called to an organization known as the "Beneficiary Fund of the Grand Army of the Republic," an association claiming to be duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, and having its headquarters at Buffalo. The object of this association is to do an insurance

business on the co-operative plan, now so much in vogue. It is officered by members of the G.A.R., who are designated by the same titles by which our Department officers are known. I understand that this organization has the official recognition of the Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic, but whether it is or is not thus sanctioned, the fact remains that its name, and the additional fact that its officers are thus designated, may tend to lead to confusion and pervert the principles of our Order from their true end, aim and purpose. We cannot be too solicitous, comrades, for the purity and welfare of the Grand Army of the Republic. We should zealously guard its fair fame by keeping the Order aloof from each and every class, organization or person attempting to trade upon its name, or to make capital out of the great principles upon which it is so securely founded. We should discountenance clap-trap and repudiate all side shows, to the end that, recognizing no class, condition or creed, the Grand Army of the Republic may be kept true to the course which its founders in their wisdom marked out for it to follow, until that day when the last comrade is "mustered out" to pass on to the reassembling of the Grand Army above.

I desire, in closing this report, to tender my sincere thanks to the Assistant Adjutant-General and other Department officers for their uniform kindness and courtesy extended to me on all occasions.

Respectfully submitted in F.; C. and L.,

WM. H. HART,
Judge-Advocate.

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN.

Boston, Jan. 30, 1882.

Commander and Comrades: I appear before you again, after the trials and hardships of another year, to present to you my third annual report. I should fail in the discharge of my duty as your spiritual advisor, did I not recognize in your presence tonight that an All-Seeing Eye had rested upon you for good during the year. You, Commander, and your noble associates, have gone in and out among the various Posts of the Department in the discharge of your duties, and whether travelling in the cars, or other modes of conveyance, the care of the Almighty has gone with you, and the life of each of you has been precious in His sight.

To you, comrades, delegates of the various Posts and Departments now present, God has graciously smiled upon you during the year. Some who have met with us in Convention in the past are not present tonight. They have crossed the Dark River to

the other side; they have given the proper signal at the outer door; have been admitted to the presence of the great Commander, at whose right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Thus, I am exceedingly grateful with you, not only in the blessing of preserved lives, but in the great and noble work that has been accomplished in this Department during the year. Surely it has been one of great prosperity. No year has been freighted with such grand results; and each have followed in the wake of its predecessor, until we are ready to shout, "Victory! the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!" Memorial Day, in Boston, with the united Suffolk County Posts, did much to open the way for this great success.

The fine appearance of the men on parade, the soldierly bearing of each on the line of march, the absence of the greatest of all plague-spots to the true soldier, drunkenness,—the man who, so forgetful of his own reputation or of those associated with him, falls out by the way and takes too freely and too often of the intoxicating cup, and then forgets to hide himself from the sight of others,—was scarcely seen upon our streets on that day.

It was a Memorial Day long to be remembered. It was a Holy Day. Thanks to the rulers of the good old Commonwealth, it was a legal one. The large gathering in Tremont Temple, the inspiring and enthusiastic address of our beloved governor,—all tended to make the day what it should be, a memorable one, sacred to the memory of our noble dead.

Then followed in quick succession, June 8, the dedication of the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, the crowning work of our beloved Past Commander, Horace Binney Sargent, and his noble associates of the Department. God bless them!

It was my privilege to offer the Prayer of Dedication, praying for the Divine blessing upon the building, and upon those that shall be sheltered under its roof in years to come. May it indeed be a soldiers' home. We are much indebted for the success of that day to Post 35; to the ladies of Chelsea; and to the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, led by its President, Mrs. Fuller, who presented to the Home two fitting emblems—the Bible and the flag; the one to be a guide in the journey of life to a better land; the other to inspire with patriotism and love for the country he had helped to save. Then came the closing scene,—the bazaar,—to which the Posts of Boston and the Department, aided by the ladies and gentlemen of the Commonwealth, made it a great success, and put in the hands of the treasurer between forty and fifty thousand dollars. Not included in this sum is the munificent gift of Capt. J. B. Thomas of Charlestown, of ten thousand dollars, and the smaller sums of others—so that the Home was paid for without touching the proceeds of the bazaar. And could my voice be heard tonight by

every true soldier in this Commonwealth, who, weary and almost destitute, sometimes feels himself forsaken and homeless, or to that man who, through misfortune and sickness, has been compelled to seek shelter with the paupers of the State, I would cry to him in thunder-tones, My comrade, you are not forgotten. Look — look to Chelsea's noble city, and upon an eminence floats the stars and stripes, and a building beautifully furnished, fit for any gentleman of the land. This is the Home — your home. Be grateful — be grateful to God — be grateful to the ladies and gentlemen of the Commonwealth — but do not be unmindful of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, who, inspired by the noblest attribute of God, *Love*, hath prepared this home for you.

But amid all these pleasing thoughts of the past year, one dark shadow hath passed in review before us. Not in our own Department, but in the nation. It was a comrade who died. He was our comrade. And when the bullet of the assassin struck him, each member of the Grand Army felt the shock; and when he died, we wept for the loss of a good man and great — James A. Garfield, President of these United States. *Honor to the dead!* But the nation lives, and we rejoice in the success of our present Chief Magistrate — Chester A. Arthur. Long may he live!

The present success and spiritual condition of this Department is chiefly due to our present Commander. Your gentlemanly bearing, sir, and cheerful disposition, have done much to aid the Chaplain in the work of reform. Until the present year the work was immense, unaided by the Department Commander. But since your occupancy of the chair, sir, the work has become so thorough that the only unmarried one upon the staff has taken to himself a wife, and now the inspection has become double and complete. Even the Adjutant-General, since last year, has become a new man, and tonight I can take him by the hand and call him brother, and pray that his life may be a successful and useful one. So that all the officers of the Department have followed in your footsteps, Commander, and a good work has been accomplished; so much so, that we now number 10,000 strong.

Comrades of the Grand Army, when this Encampment shall close, go back to your posts of duty, encourage your comrades, replenish your charity funds, bring in every true soldier to the Grand Army of the Republic, do deeds of valor worthy of your name, and if, during the year to come, in the providence of God, you fall, let it be at the post of duty. So shall the community say of you, he was a good man and a true soldier. And the great Commander-in-Chief, into whose presence you shall enter, will say, "He hath fought a good fight; he hath finished his course; enter into my rest, and sit down with your Lord."

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

JOHN W. LEE,
Chaplain.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1882.

Comrades: Owing to the unavoidable absence of Comrade Scates, *senior* member of the Council of Administration, it devolves upon me to present the report for the Council. After the very interesting and exhaustive address of the Commander, and the concise and intelligent reports of the other Department officers (who are *ex officio* members of the Council of Administration), it would seem that there remained but little for us to report upon.

We have held eight sessions during the year, and have also attended to the inspection of Posts, and the auditing of the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant-General and the Quartermaster-General. We carefully examined the source of all receipts, and the vouchers for all payments, and it is a pleasure to report that we found everything correct, and the accounts neatly kept.

We would recommend that the accounts be examined and audited every quarter, not waiting until just before the Department Convention to perform this important duty.

The Council congratulate the Department that the long standing indebtedness to National Encampment has been wiped out, the last payment having been paid during the present month.

A departure having been taken by the National Encampment, as well as by this Department, in the matter of supplies,—everything being now conducted on a cash basis,—the Council recommend that the Assistant Adjutant-General hereafter keep his accounts open long enough to bring in the last quarter of each year. We believe that this can be done, as the Convention is not usually held until the last of January. As now conducted the last quarter of this year goes into the accounts of 1882, and so on.

We find the receipts of the Department for the year to have been :—

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| On hand, last report | \$100 35 |
| Receipts | 4,637 88 |
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| | \$4,738 23 |

And the expenditures, \$4,705.06, for which vouchers are on file at Department Headquarters.

The Department is in a healthy and flourishing condition, as you have already been informed; eleven new Posts have been chartered, and our membership increased during the year 1,363, making our total membership 10,252.

We congratulate the Department that the labors of our Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General have been crowned with so much success, and we trust the time is not far distant when every veteran soldier and sailor will feel it a duty, as well as a pleasure, to be enrolled as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The experiment of printing the proceedings of the Convention for distribution to the Posts we believe has met with general approval, and we recommend its continuance.

The Convention of last year voted the sum of \$200 to the Assistant Adjutant-General for clerk hire. This came none too soon, for the duties of his office are increasing with the growth of the Department, and we recommend that the sum of \$200 be appropriated to that purpose for the coming year, thereby enabling him to devote more time to *missionary* work, the good results of which during the past year we see in our increased membership.

The Assistant Adjutant-General being the only salaried officer of the Department, he must necessarily absent himself from his office, attending to the interests of the Grand Army in various parts of the State; but we recommend that during such absence he leave some one at headquarters to attend to the wants of the comrades. This we believe he can do, with the extra allowance.

The Commander has alluded at length to the pension question, and nothing remains for us to add, except that we heartily endorse the suggestions therein contained.

The question of uniforms has received more or less consideration from the Council, and your special committee will report upon the same.

The Council believe they acted wisely in taking the necessary steps to call the attention of Congress and the Pension Office to the fact that the Grand Army are interested in the method of examination of pension claims, and we recommend that this Department put itself on record upon this much vexed question.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. STOTT,

For the Council of Administration.

The reports of all the Department officers having been presented, it was moved by Comrade J. G. B. Adams of Post 5, that the reports be accepted and placed on file. Judge Advocate William H. Hart offered an amendment, which was adopted by a rising vote of ninety-nine to sixty-eight, that the recommendations in the address of the Department Commander, and the reports of the various officers, including the Council of Administration, be

referred to a special committee of five to be appointed by the Commander; and the following committee was appointed, viz.: —

Judge Advocate William H. Hart; Charles B. Fox of Post 68; W. J. Mansfield of Post 12; George W. Powers of Post 15; William R. Vining of Post 78.

Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42 moved that a committee of eleven be appointed by the Commander, to report a list of delegates and alternates to National Encampment; and five comrades to serve on the Council of Administration. The motion was adopted and the Commander announced the following committee: —

J. P. Maxfield of Post 42; Wm. M. Olin of Post 26; Henry T. Holmes of Post 35; J. B. Lamb of Post 10; F. M. Harrington of Post 96; Andrew C. Stone of Post 39; Geo. A. Thayer of Post 2; John F. Bruce of Post 19; A. A. Davis of Post 5; C. H. Parsons of Post 45; Geo. E. Whittaker of Post 71.

A motion was adopted that comrades in speaking be limited to five minutes, and that no one shall speak more than twice on the same question except by unanimous consent.

Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66 moved that when we adjourn it be to meet at this place at 9 o'clock January 31; an amendment to meet at 10 o'clock was lost, and after a brief discussion the original motion was adopted.

No other business being presented, the Encampment adjourned at 10.20 P.M., until 9 o'clock January 31.

Immediately after the close of the first session the hall was cleared, and the officers of Theodore Winthrop Post 35, G.A.R., of Chelsea, exemplified the work of the Order in a very complete and satisfactory manner; after which a branch of a subsidiary organization illustrated the improbabilities of Grand Army life as experienced in Chelsea.

FANEUIL HALL, 10 A.M., BOSTON, Jan. 31, 1882.

The hour to which the Encampment adjourned having arrived, Commander Creasey called to order, and after prayer by Department Chaplain Lee, the Encampment was declared ready for business, and the roll was called for.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM POSTS.

Comrade James E. Barrows of Post 56, Cambridge, presented a communication from that Post relative to the alleged abuse of the G.A.R. badge. On motion of Comrade Joseph H. Gleason of Post 77, Holden, it was voted that the communication be referred to the incoming Council of Administration.

Comrade Charles D. Nash of Post 78, South Abington, presented a communication from that Post relative to the formation of a Mutual Benefit Association in connection with the G.A.R., and by vote of the Encampment the subject was laid on the table.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials, as follows: —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 383 |
| Number of comrades present | 295 |
| Divided as follows: — | |
| Department officers | 12 |
| Past Department Commanders | 4 |
| Post Commanders | 97 |
| Delegates | 182 |
| Total | 295 |

Comrade Silas A. Barton of Post 5, Lynn, reported for the Committee on Uniform, appointed at the last Encampment, as follows: —

BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1882.

Commander and Comrades of the Encampment: The committee appointed at our last Annual Encampment, to take into consideration the expediency of adopting a uniform for the Department, have given the matter careful thought, and as the result thereof respectfully submit the following report: —

We earnestly recommend to the Department the following uniform, a sample of which is worn by the Assistant Adjutant-General, and the cost of which, including coat, pants and cap, is \$10.00, coat and pants without cap, \$9.50.

First. A cap or hat, as the Department may determine. If a hat is adopted, we recommend the style worn by the Assistant Adjutant-General, and submitted herewith.

Second. A dark blue single-breasted coat, average length thirty inches, cut to button high in the neck, with a box collar, four large G.A.R. buttons on front, and two small G.A.R. buttons on each sleeve.

Third. Pants of same material as coat, with light blue welt made into each outside seam.

Fourth. A white belt of webbing or leather with G.A.R. clasp on front.

Fifth. The present mixed cord and wreath with number of Post inside the latter.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
D. W. LEWIS,
W. S. FROST,
CHAS. A. STOTT,
W. A. SLOANE,
S. A. BARTON,
W. W. WOODBURY,

Committee.

After presenting the report, Comrade Barton moved that it be adopted. The motion was seconded by Comrade Billings of the committee, who expressed his personal preference for light blue pants, and certain modifications, but believing fully in the desirability of a Department uniform. After a discussion which was participated in by a number of comrades, the report and recommendations of the committee were adopted, with an amendment, that Posts may adopt hats or caps at their option. Commander Smith of Post 16 moved, and it was voted, that the Posts of this Department be recommended to procure this uniform as soon as possible.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68 presented the following report for committee of five, appointed last evening to consider the several recommendations in the address of the Commander and the reports of the other officers, viz. : —

The committee to whom was committed the recommendations in the Commander's Address, and the reports of the various Department officers, having attended to their duty, would respectfully report, as follows : —

First. In relation to the recommendation that a *per capita* contribution be made by the several Posts of the Department for

the support of the Soldiers' Home, your committee would report that they are unanimously of the opinion that such action would be inexpedient.

Second. In the matter of a Department Encampment, your committee are of the opinion that it presents enough of possible advantage to warrant the recommendation that it be tried at least one year as an experiment.

Third. In regard to the question of jurisdiction, your committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution: —

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the applications for admission of recruits living without the territorial limits of a Post should not be encouraged.

Fourth. Your committee would recommend the adoption of the suggestion of the Council of Administration, that the fourth quarter of each year be hereafter included in the annual reports.

Fifth. Your committee would recommend that the appropriation of \$200 for clerk hire in Assistant Adjutant-General's department be continued, it being understood that this appropriation will enable the Assistant Adjutant-General to keep his office open during office hours when he is necessarily absent on official business; and also that the report of the proceedings of the Convention be printed as recommended by the Council of Administration.

Sixth. In regard to the matter of pensions, your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolve: —

Resolved, That this Department is ready to co-operate with other Departments of the Grand Army, and with the Commission of Pensions, in any system which will expedite the settlement of just and the rejection of fraudulent claims.

WM. H. HART,
W. J. MANSFIELD,
GEORGE W. POWERS,
WM. R. VINING,
CHAS. B. FOX,

Committee.

Comrade Billings moved and it was voted that the foregoing report be accepted, and the several recommendations be acted upon separately. After the reading of the first recommendation, it was voted on motion of Department Chaplain Lee, amended by Commander Smith of Post 16, as a substitute, that the Commander of each Post in this Department ask for a collection in each church in the city or town where the Posts are located, on the Sunday next preceding Memorial Day.

The second, third, fourth and fifth recommendations as presented by the committee, were adopted.

The sixth recommendation was discussed at length, and a motion to indefinitely postpone was laid on the table, after which the resolution was adopted, and the Commander instructed to send a copy of the same to each Department of the G.A.R., and the Commissioner of Pensions.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 142, South Framingham, moved and it was voted, that we proceed to the election of Department officers, and that a committee of five be appointed by the Commander to collect, sort and count votes for Department Commander.

The following committee was appointed : —

E. P. Simpson of Post 142, South Framingham; E. G. W. Cartwright of Post 47, Haverhill; J. H. Gleason of Post 77, Holden; Peter D. Smith of Post 99, Andover; J. H. Jones of Post 37, Spencer.

Nominations being in order, Commander C. W. Sleeper of Post 42, Lowell, presented the name of Comrade Thomas H. Hill of Post 33, Woburn, seconded by Comrade B. F. Whittemore of Post 33, and others.

Comrade John G. B. Adams of Post 5, Lynn, nominated Comrade Geo. H. Patch of Post 142, South Framingham, seconded by Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 142.

On motion of Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42, Lowell, it was voted that the roll be called and delegations step to the front of the platform and vote as they are called.

The roll was called as directed, and after all had voted for Commander, the committee proceeded to a count.

On motion of Comrade Edwin Earp of Post 5, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed to collect, sort and count ballots for Senior Vice-Commander.

While the committee was being appointed, Commander Fellows of Post 35 nominated Comrade William H. Hart of Post 35, Chelsea, for Senior Vice-Commander. The nomination was seconded by Comrade George L. Goodale of Post 66. In accordance with Comrade Earp's motion, the following committee was appointed to collect, sort and count votes for Senior Vice-Commander, viz. : —

Edwin Earp of Post 5; Wm. H. Morgan of Post 89; Dennis Meehan of Post 7; G. H. Carpenter of Post 20; Thos. E. Cutter of Post 49.

A ballot was at once ordered, and after all had voted for Senior Vice-Commander, the committee on ballot for Commander reported as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 281 |
| Necessary for a choice | 142 |
| George H. Patch, Post 142, had | 210 |
| Thomas H. Hill, “ 33, had | 68 |
| Scattering | 3 |

And Comrade George H. Patch of Post 142, South Framingham, was declared elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The committee on ballot for Senior Vice-Commander reported as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes | 247 |
| Necessary for a choice | 124 |
| William H. Hart had | 234 |
| Geo. W. Powers had | 5 |
| Scattering | 9 |

Comrade William H. Hart of Post 35, Chelsea, was declared elected Senior Vice-Commander for the ensuing term.

Nominations for Junior Vice-Commander being in order, Comrade P. Allen Lindsey of Post 30 presented the name of Comrade John D. Billings of Post 94, Canton. Comrade T. J. Ames of Post 53 named Comrade John F. Bruce of Post 19, Fitchburg. Comrade Thomas Langlan of Post 15 nominated Geo. W. Powers of the same Post, and Commander Smith of Post 16 presented the name of John L. Rice of Post 16, Springfield.

The several nominations were seconded, and on motion of Commander C. W. Sleeper of Post 42, Lowell, the following comrades were appointed a committee to collect, sort and count votes for Junior Vice-Commander, viz.:—

C. W. Sleeper of Post 42; L. F. Currier of Post 122; G. W. Johnson of Post 134; C. H. Watson of Post 41; Theodore Leutz of Post 21.

While the above committee were counting the votes they had collected, Commander Fellows of Post 35 moved that a committee of one be appointed to wait upon Comrade George H. Patch and introduce him to the Encampment. An amendment offered by Comrade John Upham of Post 39 was accepted, that the committee consist of three comrades, and Commander Fellows of Post 35, Comrade Upham of Post 39 and Commander L. E. Thayer of Post 27 were appointed. The committee retired, and in their absence the committee on ballot for Junior Vice-Commander reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 262 |
| Necessary for a choice | 132 |
| John D. Billings, Post 94, had | 123 |
| John L. Rice, " 16, " | 69 |
| John F. Bruce, " 19, " | 31 |
| Geo. W. Powers, " 15, " | 16 |
| Wm. H. Wade, " 145, " | 13 |
| A. O. Kinney, " 103, " | 7 |
| Scattering | 3 |

There was no choice and a new ballot was ordered ; the same committee collected votes and proceeded to count.

The committee appointed to wait upon Comrade Patch put in an appearance and presented to the Encampment Commander-elect George H. Patch, who, in a short speech, accepted the position, thanked the comrades for their confidence as expressed in the election, and promised to devote his best efforts to the advancement of this Department and the Order generally.

Senior Vice-Commander Benj. S. Lovell moved that a committee of three be appointed to conduct the Senior Vice-Commander-elect to the platform. The motion prevailed, and Comrade Lovell, Comrade Geo. S. Evans of Post 30 and Comrade Savillion Arnold of Post 9 were appointed.

The committee attended to their duty, and introduced Comrade William H. Hart, who expressed himself as grateful for the honor conferred, and promised the most unqualified assistance in the upbuilding of the organization.

The committee reported the second ballot for Junior Vice-Commander, as :—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 250 |
| Necessary for a choice | 126 |
| John D. Billings, Post 94, had | 181 |
| John L. Rice, " 16, " | 51 |
| John F. Bruce, " 19, " | 9 |
| Geo. W. Powers, " 15, " | 8 |
| Wm. H. Wade, " 145, " | 1 |

And Comrade Billings was declared elected Junior Vice-Commander.

On motion of Comrade Powers of Post 15 it was voted that a committee of three be appointed to escort the Junior Vice-Commander to the platform. The committee, consisting of Comrade Geo. W. Powers of Post 15, John F. Bruce of Post 19 and Comrade William H. Wade of Post 145, attended to the duty assigned them, and presented Comrade John D. Billings as Junior Vice-Commander-elect, who briefly thanked the comrades for the honor conferred by the election, and promised the best service at his command to perfect and maintain the G.A.R.

The Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed by a unanimous vote to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade John W. Lee for Chaplain, and Comrade Azel Ames, Jr., for Medical Director of the Department for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed, and the comrades named were declared elected.

Senior Vice-Commander Lovell called attention to the fact that many Posts depended, in a great measure, upon the collections taken in churches, on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day, as a means of paying expenses incurred in decorating graves on May 30, and he therefore moved that the vote passed at an earlier stage of the proceedings, providing for a collection to be taken on the Sabbath next before Memorial Day, for the benefit of the Soldiers' Home, be reconsidered, and it was so voted.

He then moved that the collection for the Soldiers' Home be taken on the third Sunday in October of each year, which motion was adopted.

Comrade Horace Binney Sargent referred to the magnificent

gift of \$10,000, recently made to the Soldiers' Home, and moved that the thanks of this Department be extended to Capt. Joseph B. Thomas for his munificent gift, and that the same be suitably engrossed and forwarded to Captain Thomas. The motion prevailed unanimously.

Comrade J. P. Maxfield, for the committee appointed at the first session of this Encampment to nominate five comrades to serve on the Council of Administration, and a list of delegates and alternates to National Encampment, reported a complete list which was read, and he then moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General deposit one ballot bearing the names as reported by the committee. There was no objection; the ballot was cast as directed, and the following comrades were declared elected, viz.: —

FOR COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| W. A. Sloane | Post 37, Spencer |
| Wm. S. Frost | " 43, Marlboro |
| Wm. S. Brown | " 2, South Boston |
| M. P. Palmer | " 115, Groton |
| C. H. Parsons | " 45, Gloucester |

REPRESENTATIVES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

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| Henry B. Peirce | Post 73, Abington |
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DELEGATES.

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| Andrew C. Stone | Post 39, Lawrence |
| C. O. Fellows | " 35, Chelsea |
| Alvin R. Bailey | " 11, Charlestown |
| Benj. S. Lovell | " 58, East Weymouth |
| J. P. Maxfield | " 42, Lowell |
| J. E. Killian | " 26, Roxbury |
| C. H. Tracy | " 103, Chicopee |
| Thomas J. Ames | " 53, Leominster |
| J. B. Lamb | " 10, Worcester |
| Azel Ames, Jr. | " 12, Wakefield |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

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| J. Frank Dalton | Post 34, Salem |
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ALTERNATES.

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| John F. Bruce | Post 19, Fitchburg |
| Benj. Pitman | " 82, Marblehead |
| J. D. Edgell | " 116, Gardner |
| J. H. Dwyer | " 5, Lynn |
| Nathaniel E. Ladd | " 101, Groveland |
| F. W. Merriam | " 93, Shelburne Falls |
| Charles B. Fox | " 68, Dorchester |
| J. Payson Bradlee | " 2, South Boston |
| E. P. Gibbs | " 9, Hudson |
| George Gurney | " 55, Taunton |

Comrade George S. Ball of Post 105, Upton, offered the following, which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote: —

WHEREAS, As a part of the Grand Army, we recall most gratefully the service rendered to the wounded and sick soldiers in camp, field and hospital, by the Sanitary and Christian Commissions, and recognize their efficient organizations as vital links between the Union Army and the charity, care and love of the people throughout the cities, towns, villages and hamlets of the loyal North; and

WHEREAS, We have heard of the death of Rev Dr. Bellows of New York, whose prolific brain and warm heart sought, with a few others of the same spirit, to increase and perfect that mighty engine of tender care and help to suffering soldiers, the Sanitary Commission;

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. Dr. Bellows, we lose a friend of the great army and the Republic, and, in grateful remembrance of his services, would now inscribe this tribute to his memory on our records.

Resolved, In the death of Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside, we recognize the departure of a tender and sympathizing comrade, whose memory is near to the hearts of all in this Department of the Grand Army.

We also recognize in this death, the loss of a loyal, large-hearted and efficient soldier and citizen. We are assured that history will do justice to his ability as a general, and coming generations of loyal men and women will hold his character in reverence and gratitude; and we, as his comrades, will carry his benign image in our hearts as long as they shall beat, and extend to his afflicted family our sympathy.

The following resolution, presented by Comrade J. P. Maxfield, was unanimously adopted, viz.: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Department in Convention assembled, that the practice by any members of the G.A.R. in this

Department, to charge, besides the necessary expenses, for their services as orators on "Memorial Day" is in bad taste, and should be discouraged; and this Encampment condemns such practice, believing it detrimental to the best interest of the Order.

Inspector William L. Baird offered the following, which was unanimously adopted: —

Voted, That the thanks of this Encampment be and they are hereby tendered to the officers of Post 35, for the very acceptable manner in which they exemplified the ritual of the Order last evening; also to the officer of the day, officer of the guard, and comrades of the same Post, for their efficient performance of guard and orderly duty.

Comrade Horace Binney Sargent moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Comrade Arnold A. Rand, and the patriotic women and men who assisted in making the Soldiers' Home Bazaar so eminently successful. The motion prevailed.

Comrade John G. B. Adams presented certain correspondence relative to the decoration of the graves of Union soldiers at Andersonville and Florence, and on his motion it was voted that the whole subject be referred to the incoming Council of Administration, with full powers.

The Assistant Adjutant-General called the attention of the Encampment to the long-continued illness and more recent accident to Medical Director Azel Ames, Jr., and the following was unanimously adopted: —

Voted, That the Assistant Adjutant-General express to Comrade Azel Ames, Jr., Medical Director of this Department, the warmest sympathy of this Encampment in his recent affliction, and the hope of the comrades of the Department that his recovery may be speedy and complete.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68, presented the following resolution: —

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, the interests of the Grand Army in this Department would be promoted by such changes as will shorten and simplify the ritual and secret work of the Order; and that our delegates be instructed to advocate such changes at the next session of the National Encampment.

The foregoing was duly considered, and after a brief discussion the resolution was *lost*.

The following resolution was offered by Comrade Thomas Langlan of Post 15 : —

Resolved, That for the purpose of more perfect organization, and to promote the efficiency of the Grand Army of the Republic in the Department of Massachusetts, the Rules and Regulations be so amended as to provide for the creation of Divisions limited to include the Posts within the county lines in each county; and that hereafter any county in this Department containing five or more Posts of the Grand Army, shall constitute a Division of the Grand Army of the Republic of this Department subject to such conditions as the Department Encampment may hereafter determine.

The resolution was laid on the table.

Comrade George S. Merrill moved, and after some discussion it was

Voted, That the Department Commander petition the General Court for an annual appropriation of ten thousand dollars in favor of the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home.

On motion of Comrade Adams of Post 5, it was

Voted, That the thanks of this Encampment be, and the same are, hereby extended to his associates, the I.O. of B.J.'s, for their entertainment on the evening of January 30.

The usual vote of thanks to the retiring officers was passed, and upon a call for business there was none presented.

The Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill then installed the following officers : —

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| Department Commander | George H. Patch |
| Department Senior Vice-Commander . | William H. Hart |
| Department Junior Vice-Commander, | John D. Billings |
| Department Chaplain | John W. Lee |
| Council of Administration | { W. A. Sloane |
| | { W. S. Frost |
| | { W. S. Brown |
| | { C. H. Parsons |

Upon the second call for business, and none being presented, the Encampment dissolved at 2.50 P.M.

A true account of the proceedings.

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL ORDERS AND CIRCULAR LETTERS.

SERIES OF 1881.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1881.

I. Having been elected and installed as Commander of this Department for the ensuing year, I hereby assume the duties and responsibilities of the office, and in doing so I desire to urge upon all comrades the necessity of a thorough, energetic and determined effort to promote the efficiency and usefulness of the Department by the increase of our membership. The time has not arrived, comrades, when we should look for the diminishing of our numbers; for while there are thousands of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors in our State who are eligible to membership in our Order, we should use every effort to interest them in our work, and induce them to help us in our labors by joining our ranks. An increase in membership is not only beneficial to the individual Post, but is the source of additional revenue to the Department; and if we will but labor earnestly and zealously with the determination to succeed, we can, before the expiration of the present year, swell our membership to ten (10) or twelve (12) thousand comrades. Let us labor for this result, and not rest content until *all* who are worthy and eligible are enrolled in our "Grand Army."

II. The following comrades are announced as the Official Staff of the Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Assistant Adjutant-General, James F. Meech of Post 10, Worcester,
Assistant Quartermaster-General, Edward T. Raymond of Post 10,
 Worcester.

Inspector, William L. Baird of Post 5, Lynn.

Judge Advocate, William H. Hart of Post 35, Chelsea.

Chief Mustering Officer, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

III. All official correspondence must be signed by Post Commanders and addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General, whose office hours will remain as heretofore.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 2. }

BOSTON, March 18, 1881.

I. A list of the officers elected at the Annual Encampment of this Department held at Boston, January 26 and 27, appears in the roster accompanying this order. Two rosters are forwarded to each Post, one to be filed with General Orders, the other is for the use of the Post Commander.

II The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| Thomas E. Barker . . . Malden. | George I. Goodale . . . Medford. |
| E. P. Gibbs . . . Hudson. | John D. Billings . . . Cambridgeport. |
| David W. Lewis . . . Hyde Park. | James S. Lowell . . . Newburyport. |
| A. M. Tilton . . . Haverhill. | George C. Joslin . . . South Boston. |
| George W. Powers . . . Boston. | M. J. Ferrin . . . Stoneham. |
| E. M. Clapp . . . Chicopee. | P. Allen Lindsey . . . Cambridgeport. |
| G. C. Fiske . . . Ashland. | I. P. Connig . . . Fitchburg. |
| Melville C. Beedle . . . Cambridge. | J. Albert Blake . . . Danvers. |
| George R. Pierce . . . Shelburne Falls. | John T. Wilson . . . Winchester. |
| Joseph Gregory . . . Marblehead. | W. T. Woodbury . . . Somerville. |

III. The petition presented to the Legislature by the Department Commander, in compliance with instructions from the Department Encampment of last year, asking that Memorial Day be made a legal holiday, has been favorably acted upon by that body, and on the 8th inst. the Governor of the Commonwealth approved the same by affixing his official signature to the bill.

The pen used by His Excellency in performing this act, he has presented to the Department in the following words: "With this pen was signed the bill making 'Memorial Day' a legal holiday. It is presented to the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in response to whose petition the bill was enacted."

IV. The Department Commander desires to call attention to his letter of February 5, regarding the increase of our membership and to again urge upon all comrades, particularly the officers of the Posts, the importance of earnest and continued labor for the accomplishment of that result.

Since the commencement of the year very many of our associates in arms have identified themselves with our organization, one new Post has been organized, others are being formed, while efforts are being made in some of the larger towns in the Commonwealth to recall charters that have been surrendered, or to organize new Posts. Let all join in the work, and by a united effort we can again place our Department in the front rank of the Grand Army.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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 53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 3. }

BOSTON, April 26, 1881.

I. General Orders Nos. 13, 14 and 15, from National Headquarters, G.A.R., are herewith promulgated to this Department.

II. That the establishment and success of the "Soldiers' Home" may be brought more prominently before the people of this Commonwealth, the Department Commander would suggest that the Commanders of Posts request their orators or speakers on Memorial Day to refer to the subject in such terms as may seem fitting and proper.

III. Since the Department Encampment, two new Posts have been organized as follows:—

FRIEDRICH HECKER POST 21, Boston, Theodore Leutz, Commander.

GEN. W. F. BARTLETT POST 99, Andover, James B. Smith, Commander.

Other Posts are in process of organization in various parts of the State, and the assistance and co-operation of Posts and comrades is invoked, that there may be a material increase in our numbers, not only by the addition of members in existing Posts, but in the creation of new Posts.

IV. The discharge of John Johnson, formerly a Private in Co. A, 30th Mass. Infantry, has been forwarded to these Headquarters, and awaits his order or that of any of his relatives or friends.

V. Information is wanted at this office as to the present address of any member of the 5th U.S. Cavalry who was with the regiment in 1861 and 1862. Information is also wanted as to the address of any soldier who was a member of the 6th New York Heavy Artillery, and who knew James Balfe, *alias* James Kelly, of Co. A of that regiment. The inquiry is made in the interest of the said Balfe or Kelley's father, who is a helpless invalid, and an applicant for a pension.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,

Official:

Department Commander.

JAMES F. MEECH,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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 53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 4. }

BOSTON, May 4, 1881

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, establishing the 30th of May as a day to be observed by the Grand Army of the Republic in decorating the graves of our fallen comrades and companions-in-arms, and in response to General Order No. 13 from National Headquarters, the several Posts in this Department are directed to make such arrangements for a proper observance of the day as will best accommodate their respective localities and honor the memories of those whose loyalty and devotion to the land they loved has secured to us the blessings of a free republican government.

As the day has been made a legal holiday by the Legislature of our State, it is hoped that every comrade will regard it as a sacred duty to forsake the busy haunts of trade, to forget the cares of daily life, and join with his Post in visiting the silent camping grounds of the dead.

Let the militia companies and the people generally be invited to participate with us; extend an invitation to the clergymen in your vicinity to remember in some appropriate manner, on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day, the great sacrifices made by the loyal people of our nation for human liberty and equal rights.

And, comrades, as we lay our tribute of love and respect upon the graves of our departed associates, let us not forget the thousands who sleep in *unknown graves* by the roadside, on the picket-line and in the prison pens:—

“For what they were, and all they dared, remember them to-day.”

Reports of the proceedings had by the several Posts will be forwarded to these headquarters.

Post Commanders will see that the provisions of this order are complied with.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

BOSTON, June 22, 1881.

I. General Orders No. 18 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated to this Department.

II. *Comrades*: At the recent meeting of the National Encampment, held at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 15th inst., the Department of Massachusetts was again honored by the election of Comrade George S. Merrill of Post 39, Lawrence, to the position of Commander-in-Chief. This honor, conferred upon one who has been so closely identified with the interest of our Department, one who has labored earnestly and zealously for its success and advancement, should be appreciated by us individually. Let us therefore acknowledge the compliment by doing all in our power to strengthen our membership and increase our influence, so that at the expiration of the year we may be able to show a permanent and substantial advancement in the strength and efficiency of our Department.

III. By a formal vote of the National Encampment at its recent meeting, Comrade Austin S. Cushman, the first Commander of this Department, was restored his honors as a Past Department Commander, which he had lost by reason of his absence in Europe for a number of years.

IV. Chief Mustering Officer A. C. Monroe is hereby detailed for duty at these headquarters. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

V. Post 54 G.A.R. of Berlin has changed its name to “Captain C. S. Hastings,” and the same is hereby approved.

VI. Since the date of last General Orders the following new Posts have been organized, viz.:—

FRANCIS GOULD POST 36, Arlington, Middlesex Co., E. F. Kenrick, Commander.

FRANKLIN POST 60, Franklin, Norfolk Co., George W. Nason, Commander.

ARTHUR G. BISCOE POST 80, Westboro, Worcester Co., C. P. Winslow, Commander.

VII. Post 21 G.A.R. of Boston having adopted the name of "Friedrich Hecker," and Post 99 G.A.R. of Andover having adopted the name of "General William F. Bartlett," those names are hereby approved.

VIII. The address of either of the following-named members of Co. D, 28th Mass. Vols., viz.: John Colman, Barney Hart, Michael Powderly, or Timothy Ryan, is desired at these headquarters.

IX. The address of Capt. A. F. Holt, James Speed, Maj. J. Hoyt, H. C. Jordan, F. A. Vaughn, Capt. F. A. Flanders, H. C. Hunt, or Col. J. L. Hains, late of the 1st Texas Cav., is wanted at this office.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

BOSTON, Aug. 31, 1881.

I. The following Department officers are hereby detailed to inspect the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| Benj. S. Lovell, Department Senior Vice-Commander, | 8, 31, 73, 74, 78, 83, 104, 111, 112, 127 |
| Royal B. Wight, Department Junior Vice-Commander, | 18, 62, 92, 117, 142 |
| Azel Ames, Jr., Medical Director | 33, 75, 99, 113 |
| James F. Meech, Assistant Adjutant-General | 5, 35 |
| William L. Baird, Inspector | 10, 34, 42, 49, 82, 90, 95, 118 |
| William H. Hart, Judge Advocate | 23, 149 |
| Alfred C. Monroe, Chief Mustering Officer, | 1, 3, 16, 20, 37, 41, 46, 55, 76, 87, 93, 110 |

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| John Scates | 2, 21, 32, 102 |
| Charles A. Stott | 39, 48, 115 |
| Benj. A. Bridges | 22, 63, 105 |
| William A. Sloane, | 27, 38, 51, 61, 65, 70, 77, 85, 97, 103, 107, 131, 136 |
| William S. Frost | 6, 9, 44, 80, 96 |

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| Thomas E. Barker | 4, 12 |
| George L. Goodale | 13, 36, 124 |
| E. P. Gibbs | 19, 28, 43, 54, 64, 86 |

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| John D. Billings | 56, 57, 143, 144 |
| David W. Lewis | 52, 60, 72, 91, 94, 145 |
| James S. Lowell | 45, 47, 67, 114, 122, 151 |
| A. M. Tilton | 100, 101, 108 |
| George C. Joslin | 7, 26, 68, 88 |
| George W. Powers | 11, 30, 58, 121 |
| M. J. Ferrin | 40, 119, 148 |
| E. M. Clapp | 71, 84 |
| P. A. Lindsey | 15, 134, 139 |
| G. C. Fiske | 24, 25, 135 |
| I. P. Connig | 53, 59, 69, 98, 109, 116 |
| J. Albert Blake | 50, 89 |
| George R. Pierce | 17, 79, 123, 126 |
| W. W. Woodbury | 29, 66, 81 |

As it is important that the inspections should be concluded on or before November 15, it may be necessary to call special meetings of Posts in some instances, therefore Commanders of Posts will govern themselves accordingly.

The travelling expenses of the officers will be borne by the Department, but all local expenses will be paid by the Posts visited. At each inspection the complete ceremony will be shown, including muster-in, and all books and papers of the Post, including records of the Relief Committee or Trustees, must be presented for inspection. A statement of amount expended for relief, for the year ending September 30, will be required.

Inspectors will insist upon a strict compliance with Section 1, Article VII., Chapter 5, General Rules, Rules and Regulations, a blank *bond* having been furnished each Post in the Department to secure uniformity.

II. The following new Posts have been organized since date of last General Orders:—

J. ORSON FISK POST 105, Upton, Worcester Co., E. Warren Harback, Commander.

L. L. MERRICK POST 107, Palmer, Hampden Co., C. P. Stone, Commander.

III. Since our comrades are interested in the advancement and success of our Department, the Commander desires that the progress made during the past six months should be communicated to the Posts, that those who have worked so earnestly may see the results of their labors.

The Department on the first day of January of the present year numbered 8,889 comrades; since that time, seven (7) new Posts have been instituted and two (2) old Posts reorganized, and are now in active working order. The quarterly report ending June 30 shows the aggregate membership to have increased to 9,650—a net gain of 761 members for the first six months of the year.

Let us not feel satisfied with this improvement but continue the work; let every comrade constitute himself a recruiting officer for the Grand Army; let no worthy soldier or sailor have occasion to say that he has not been solicited to join our ranks.

IV. Officers of Posts will bear in mind that the reports for quarter ending September 30 determine the representation in next Department Encampment. In this connection attention is also called to the necessity of forwarding reports promptly on the *first* of the quarter, as less time is given for consolidation by National Headquarters than formerly, and by resolution of last National Encampment all Posts in arrears for reports on the twentieth (20th) of the first month of each quarter are to be reported in General Orders.

V. Information is wanted at these headquarters of the present address of any member of Battery M, 4th U.S. Art., or G Battery, 5th U.S. Art., who served in either of those commands from 1861 to 1865.

VI. A person calling himself Charles H. Lynch, well posted in G.A.R. matters, and claiming to be a member of Post 7, G.A.R., has been heard of recently in the central portion of the State Post 7 disclaims any knowledge of him and he is believed to be unworthy.

VII. The findings and sentence in the court-martial of William L. Orcutt of Post 40, G.A.R., are hereby approved, and the said Orcutt is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7 }

BOSTON, Sept. 20, 1881.

“God reigns and the government at Washington still lives.” The long-suffering stricken President is dead. The great heart of the American people could not shield the old soldier, and in the long contest between life and death, death is again victorious.

To the roll of martyrs who have died to insure permanency to our republican institutions has been added the name of

James A. Garfield,

and in long years to come, when our country shall have more fully accomplished its mission among the nations of the earth, his name with that of Lincoln will be honored and revered by all who love pureness of life, honesty of purpose, and a true loyal heart.

All Department and Post Officers will for thirty days from the date of this order wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm and sword-hilt when on duty, and the charter of each Post will be draped in mourning in honor of our departed President and comrade.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 8. }

BOSTON, Oct. 22, 1881.

Comrades: As you are aware by circulars that have been issued by the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home, active preparations are now being made to hold a grand bazaar in the Mechanics Fair Building in this city about the 1st of December or immediately after the closing of the Mechanics Fair.

The objects of the bazaar should interest us, not only as members of the Grand Army, but as soldiers. We have, through our Trustees, purchased a Soldiers' Home, where all comrades who are sick and destitute can be provided for. The only reason why those who are enfeebled because of their faithful service during the war are not admitted to it—why it is not at the present time sheltering very many of our comrades who are unable to provide for themselves—is for the want of money to meet the ordinary running expenses.

To provide this the bazaar is to be held, and the success it attains depends greatly upon the support we give to it, individually, as members of the Grand Army. Every Post Commander is reminded that the determination of this Department to establish a Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts has been so often expressed in Department Conventions, that the vigorous co-operation of every Post is a duty. By charter, fifteen out of eighteen of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home now established must be members of the Grand Army. The Home, over which the old flag now flies, is a Grand Army charity, and the most conspicuous and useful monument to our destitute comrades that can be raised.

The Trustees have appointed large committees, including the Commander of every Post in the State, to organize the bazaar in aid of the Home. The citizens in many localities are already active in our soldierly cause. These committees and citizens look to us of the Grand Army, and reasonably expect the prompt, vigorous and whole-souled co-operation of the men whom the effort honors and is intended to benefit.

Every Post is, therefore, expected to take some immediate action in securing the aid of the people in its locality, in order to furnish an honorable Home and Hospital for *our* poor, and to make the bazaar a success as one of the means to carry out the will of the Department Convention.

Commanders of Posts will report immediately to these headquarters what action has been taken by their Posts, and what is being done by the people in their locality in aid of the Home.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 9. }

BOSTON, Dec. 15, 1881.

I. General Orders, No. 11, from National Headquarters G.A.R., is herewith promulgated to this Department.

II. The order announcing Mustering Officers will be issued on or about December 24, and the chief will be governed by the wishes of the Posts in their selection when practicable. Recommendations must be received previous to the above date, and in no case will an assignment be made unless the Post or its representative so designates.

III. As the election of Post Officers and representatives to the Department Encampment is to be held at the first regular meeting in December, a blank is herewith enclosed on which return of such election is to be made.

IV. The following new Post has been organized since the date of the last General Order, viz.:—

JAMES A. GARFIELD POST 120, Lowell, Chas. H. Coburn, Commander.

V. The address of the following persons is wanted at these headquarters, viz.:—James McArdle, late of Co. I, New Batt., 1st Mass. Cavalry, and James P. Prince, late surgeon 22d Mass. Infantry.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,

Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MERCH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 10. }

BOSTON, Dec. 27, 1881.

I. The following-named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| Abner Coleman, Taunton | 3 |
| A. S. Trowbridge, Hudson | 9 |
| R. O. Houghton, Fitchburg | 19 |
| M. H. Stevens, Waltham | 29 |
| Geo. O. Vinal, Scituate | 31 |
| Gilman A. Andrews, Salem | 34 |
| Geo. L. Goodale, Medford | 4, 36 |
| John Collins, Holliston | 44 |
| C. T. Batchelder, Peabody | 50 |
| E. P. Gibbs, Hudson | 64 |
| Chas. D. Nash, S. Abington | 73, 74 |
| Chas. F. Allen, S. Abington | 78 |
| Wm. L. Crosier, N. Adams | 79, 126 |
| Benj. S. Lovell, E. Weymouth | 88 |

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| J. A. Richmond, Shelburne Falls | 93 |
| Andrew C. Stone, Lawrence | 99, 100 |
| J. Edward Hollis, Boston | 113 |
| G. A. Churchill, Boston | 102 |
| Charles A. Stott, Lowell | 120 |
| Charles Grey, Athol | 123 |
| Thos. J. Tute, Boston | 7 |
| J. B. Willard, Worcester | 10, 70 |
| P. A. Lindsey, Cambridgeport | 22 |
| Richard F. Tobin, Cambridgeport | 30, 57, 92 |
| John T. Wilson, Winchester | 33 |
| Henry T. Holmes, Chelsea | 35 |
| F. L. Perry, Springfield | 41, 97 |
| H. C. Sherwin, Ayer | 48 |
| Geo. W. Powers, Boston | 15, 21, 56 |
| J. G. Leach, Warren | 65 |
| A. P. Barrett, Woburn | 75 |
| Wm. S. Frost, Marlboro | 43, 80 |
| J. Frank Dalton, Salem | 82 |
| Isaac H. Edgett, Beverly | 89 |
| Charles Newhall, Danvers | 90 |
| J. R. Merritt, Swampscott | 95 |
| W. A. Sloane, Spencer | 107 |
| John Metcalf, Lynn | 118 |
| Dudley E. Gale, Amesbury | 122 |
| Geo. H. Patch, So. Framingham | 142 |

Chief Mustering Officer A. C. Monroe will install the officers of Posts 5, 63 and 105.

II. The commanders of the above-indicated Posts will at once put themselves in communication with their Mustering Officers, giving time and place of installation. In case of the absence of the comrade designated above for any Post, and where no comrade has been assigned, any National or Department Officer or *Past* Post Commander (in his own Post), in good standing (except the retiring Commander), may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until *all reports and dues have been forwarded*. (See page 51 of the Service Book.)

Special attention is called to the recent changes in the Installation Service. Copies of the new Service Book may be obtained *immediately* on application to these headquarters; price 25 cents.

III. A year's supply of new forms A and B — Adjutant and Quartermaster — has been sent to each Post Commander; and if the same have not been received immediate notice should be given to this office, as it is important that reports which are due January 1 should be made on these forms; therefore all old-style forms should be destroyed.

IV. Blank credentials have been furnished on which the return of election of Post Commanders and Delegates and Alternates is to be made; one copy *only* is to be forwarded (if it has not already been done) with Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports, together with *per capita* tax, previous to January 10.

By command of

ALFRED C. MONROE,
Chief Mustering Officer.

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

BOSTON, Jan. 18, 1882.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 11. }

I. The annual Encampment of this Department will be convened in Faneuil Hall, Boston, on Monday, Jan. 30, 1882, at 7 o'clock P.M., for the election of Department Officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before it. Posts are entitled to the following ratio of representation: One delegate for every fifty members reported in good standing September 30, with one additional for a final fraction of more than half that number; but each Post, whatever its numbers, shall be entitled to at least one delegate. Post Commanders are members of the Encampment by virtue of their office, but by the action of the last National Encampment, the Senior Vice Post Commander may represent the Post in the absence of the Post Commander, and in case neither of them are present, the Junior Vice Post Commander may act.

II. An invitation having been extended to the officers of Post 35 of Chelsea, to exemplify the work of the Order in the presence of the Encampment, and the same having been accepted, it is desired that *every Post* in the Department should be represented at this meeting, not only for the purpose of witnessing the *Muster-in Service*, and the extraordinary exercises at the conclusion of the same, but to take part in the general business of the Convention, which promises to be of more than usual interest. The Commander of Post 35 will detail an Officer of the Day, an Officer of the Guard, and at least ten (10) comrades for guard and other duty, during the Encampment. The Officer of the Day will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Faneuil Hall, at 6 P.M., on the 30th, for instructions.

III. In accordance with the requirements of the Manual, and Section I., Article VII., Chapter V., Rules and Regulations, a blank Bond for Post Quartermaster is herewith forwarded to each Post in this Department.

IV. Post 142 of South Framingham having changed its name to "Burnside" the same is hereby approved, to date from January 1.

V. Otis W. Wallace Post 106 of Rockport, Essex County, has been reorganized, with William Wingood, Jr., as commander.

VI. A new Post has been organized at Ipswich, Essex County, to be known as Post 128, Leach Clark, Commander,

VII. The address of any member of Co. B, 21st Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, who was taken out of Portsmouth Grove Hospital in 1863, and served in Troy, N.Y., on Provost duty previous to November, 1864, is wanted at this office, in the interest of a worthy pension claim.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

CIRCULAR, }
 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Feb. 16, 1881.

A special meeting of the Council of Administration was held on Saturday, 12th inst., to discuss the pension question, but the importance of the subject was so apparent that an adjournment was made to this (Wednesday) afternoon when, after the most careful investigation, it was unanimously decided that this Department should take immediate and earnest action.

To this end a committee consisting of Commander George W. Creasey, Senior Vice-Commander Benj. S. Lovell, Comrade Charles A. Stott of the Council of Administration, and Junior Vice-Commander E. B. Loring of Post 15 of Boston, was appointed to proceed to Washington as soon as possible, and secure such legislation from Congress before the close of the present session as will relieve the existing over-crowded and slow-moving condition of things.

There are at present over *two hundred and eighty thousand* (280,000) unsettled pension claims on file in the Pension Office. New claims are being presented at the rate of about *two thousand* (2,000) per month, and the total number of claims allowed last year (1880) was less than 15,000. Therefore it will readily be seen that under the present system the newly filed claims cannot be disposed of, to say nothing of the *hundreds of thousands* of claims that have been on file, many of them for nearly a decade.

Comrades: This is a subject that is considered to be not only the right, but the *duty*, of the G.A.R., to be interested in, standing as we do as the representative soldiers' and sailors' organization of the Union; we owe it to the widows and orphans of those who "gave the last full measure of devotion," and we owe it to those who stood shoulder to shoulder with us in the "old days," but who do not appreciate as *we* do the three great principles of our Order. Therefore in order to make the burden as light as possible in the matter of the actual expenses of the above delegation, the Council voted to ask for a contribution from each Post of at least five cents *per capita*, and as the committee will start *at once*, it is especially desirable that remittances be made to the Assistant Adjutant-General without delay. A full account of receipts and expenditures of this fund will be submitted to the Department.

By command of

GEORGE W. CREASEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

ROSTER

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

1881.

Elected.

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| GEORGE W. CREASEY, <i>Commander</i> | Newburyport. |
| BENJAMIN S. LOVELL, <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> , | East Weymouth |
| ROYAL B. WIGHT, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | Natick. |
| AZEL AMES, JR., <i>Medical Director</i> | Wakefield. |
| JOHN W. LEE, <i>Chaplain</i> | Charlestown. |

Council of Administration.

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| JOHN SCATES | South Boston. |
| CHARLES A. STOTT | Lowell. |
| BENJAMIN A. BRIDGES | Holliston. |
| WILLIAM A. SLOANE | Spencer. |
| WILLIAM S. FROST | Marlboro. |

Official Staff.

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| JAMES F. MEECH, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> , | 53 Tremont St., Room 3, Boston. |
| EDWARD T. RAYMOND, <i>Assistant Q.M.-General</i> , | 53 Tremont St., Room 3, Boston. |
| WILLIAM L. BAIRD, <i>Inspector</i> | Lynn. |
| WILLIAM H. HART, <i>Judge Advocate</i> | Chelsea. |
| ALFRED C. MONROE, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Brockton. |

Aides-de-Camp.

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| THOMAS E. BARKER, | Malden. | GEORGE L. GOODALE, | Medford. |
| E. P. GIBBS, | Hudson. | JOHN D. BILLINGS, | Cambridgeport. |
| DAVID W. LEWIS, | Hyde Park. | JAMES S. LOWELL, | Newburyport. |
| A. M. TILTON, | Haverhill. | GEORGE C. JOSLIN, | South Boston. |
| GEORGE W. POWERS, | Boston. | M. J. FERRIN, | Stoneham. |
| E. M. CLAPP, | Chicopee. | P. ALLEN LINDSEY, | Cambridgeport. |
| G. C. FISKE, | Ashland. | I. P. CONNIG, | Fitchburg. |
| MELVILLE C. BEEDLE, | Cambridge. | J. ALBERT BLAKE, | Danvers. |
| GEORGE R. PIERCE, | Shelburne Falls. | JOHN T. WILSON, | Winchester. |
| JOSEPH GREGORY, | Marblehead. | W. W. WOODBURY, | Somerville. |

Representatives to National Encampment.

| DELEGATE-AT-LARGE. | | ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE. | |
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| THOMAS H. HILL, | Woburn. | GEORGE F. MOORE, | Haverhill. |
| DELEGATES. | | ALTERNATES. | |
| SILAS A. BARTON, | Lynn. | JAMES K. CHURCHILL, | Worcester. |
| GEORGE S. EVANS, | Cambridge. | CHARLES F. READ, | South Gardner. |
| JOHN F. BRUCE, | Fitchburg. | CHARLES D. NASH, | South Abington. |
| AZEL AMES, JR. | Wakefield. | FREEMAN C. LUCE, | New Bedford. |
| ALFRED C. MONROE, | Brockton. | C. W. C. RHOADES, | Roxbury. |
| ANDREW C. STONE, | Lawrence. | HENRY B. THAYER, | Milford. |
| MYRON P. WALKER, | Springfield. | GEORGE C. JOSLIN, | South Boston. |
| JOHN R. MERRITT, | Swampscott. | S. F. MCCLEARN, | Marblehead. |
| HENRY B. PEIRCE, | Abington. | FRANK MCGRAW, | Fall River. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| A. B. R. SPRAGUE, | Worcester. | FRANCIS A. OSBORN, | Boston. |
| WILLIAM COGSWELL, | Salem. | A. B. UNDERWOOD, | Newton. |
| JOHN W. KIMBALL, | Fitchburg. | GEORGE S. MERRILL, | Lawrence. |
| HORACE BINNEY SARGENT, | Salem. | JOHN G. B. ADAMS, | Lynn. |
| | | JOHN A. HAWES | Fairhaven. |

POSTS.

| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
|-------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman | 1 | New Bedford | Andrew J. Smith..... | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | South Boston | George A. Thayer..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. A. Bartlett | 3 | Taunton..... | T. C. Lucas | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | Melrose..... | Charles O. Boyd..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander..... | 5 | Lynn..... | Horace A. Sawyer..... | Thursday |
| | | | P. O. Box 23. | |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | Holliston..... | A. E. Chamberlain..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | Boston..... | Dennis Meehan..... | Friday |
| | | | Station A, P. O. | |
| E. W. Pierce | 8 | Middleboro | L. M. Alden..... | Saturday |
| | | | P. O. Box 442 | |
| Reno | 9 | Hudson | E. P. Gibbs..... | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward | 10 | Worcester..... | William H. King..... | Thursday |
| | | | 190 Union Street | |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | Charlestown..... | Alvin R. Bailey..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | 116 North St., Boston | |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | Wakefield | Azel Ames, Jr..... | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | Brockton..... | Alfred C. Monroe..... | Thursday |
| | 14 | | | |
| John A. Andrew | 15 | Boston..... | J. Cushing Thomas.... | Friday |
| | | | 103 Chestnut Street | |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | Springfield | James O. Smith..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | Orange..... | A. L. Shattuck..... | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott | 18 | Ashland..... | S. S. Baker..... | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | Fitchburg | John F. Bruce..... | Thursday |
| H. S. Greenleaf | 20 | Colerain..... | George H. Carpenter .. | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | Griswoldville | |
| (German) | 21 | Boston..... | Theodore Leutz | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| | | | 241 Washington St. | |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher .. | 22 | Milford..... | Alfred A. Burrell..... | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker | 23 | East Boston..... | Charles E. Dodge..... | 2d Tuesday |
| | | | 125 Chelsea Street | |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | Grafton..... | William C. Fletcher..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | Uxbridge..... | Andrew J. Alexander .. | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | P. O. Box 66 | |
| Thos. G. Stevenson .. | 26 | Roxbury | Jediah P. Jordan | Monday |
| | | | 45 Federal St., Boston | |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | Oxford | Leonard E. Thayer..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells | 28 | West Boylston | Henry O. Sawyer..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| F. P. H. Rogers | 29 | Waltham..... | James H. Fisher..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | Cambridgeport | Wm. T. Alden..... | Thursday |
| | | | 21 Essex Street | |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | Scituate | A. A. Seaverns..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| | | | North Scituate | |
| Washington | 32 | South Boston..... | Alfred C. Belcher..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| | | | Post Office, Boston | |
| Burbank | 33 | Woburn..... | William H. Matthews.. | Thursday |
| | | | P. O. Box 409 | |
| Phil. H. Sheridan | 34 | Salem..... | Frederick Grant..... | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop... | 35 | Chelsea | Charles O. Fellows.... | Thursday |
| | | | 245 Chestnut Street | |
| | 36 | | | |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | Spencer..... | William A. Sloane..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| | | | P. O. Box 555 | |
| Dexter | 38 | Brookfield | J. A. Josselyn..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham | 39 | Lawrence..... | Andrew C. Stone..... | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | Malden..... | William L. Frouty..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Lyon | 41 | Westfield..... | | |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | Lowell..... | George E. Worthen.... | Thursday |
| | | | 123 Cross Street | |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | Marlboro | Sidney A. Brigham..... | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols | 44 | Fayville..... | George Cantello..... | Friday |
| Colonel Allen..... | 45 | Gloucester..... | Charles H. Parsons..... | Thursday |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | Fall River..... | Oscar F. Douglass..... | Thursday |
| | | | 70 South Main Street | |
| Major How..... | 47 | Haverhill..... | George F. Moore..... | Tuesday |
| | | | P. O. Box 1369 | |
| George S. Boutwell... | 48 | Ayer | E. O. Harlow..... | 1st Thursday |
| A. W. Bartlett | 49 | Newburyport..... | Daniel B. Whiting..... | Friday |
| Union | 50 | Peabody..... | Windor M. Ward..... | Monday |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | North Brookfield... | John S. Cooke..... | Thursday |

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|------------------------|-----|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | South Easton..... | George A. Larky..... | 2d and last Thurs |
| Charles H. Stevens.... | 53 | Leominster..... | Wm. B. Frissell..... | 2d and 4th Thurs |
| John B. Gough..... | 54 | Berlin..... | John L. Bruce..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | Taunton..... | George Gurney..... | Monday |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | John H. Wells..... | Monday |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge.... | Otis S. Brown..... | Wednesday |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | East Weymouth } | |
| Major J. A. Pratt.... | 59 | Sterling..... | A. H. Melendy..... | 1st Saturday |
| | 60 | | | |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | E. W. Smith..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | Henry W. Downs..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | Frank P. Simonds.... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | Luther E. Wilkins.... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| | | | P. O. Box 594 } | |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | J. H. Goodhue..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | George L. Goodale.... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | Charles H. Stone..... | Friday |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Boston..... | William C. Cumings... } | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | Neponset } | |
| J. R. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | Hobart Raymond..... | Alternate Sat. |
| George A. Custer.... | 70 | Millbury..... | Rodney D. Loomis.... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| | | | P. O. Box 145 } | |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | George H. Smith..... | Tuesday |
| A. St. John Chambré.. | 72 | Stoughton..... | Lysander Wood..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | A. H. Wright..... | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | Henry Damon..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | Mark Allen..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | John Shannon..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | J. H. Gleason..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.... | Wm. R. Vining..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams.... | A. W. Fulton..... | Friday |
| | 80 | | | |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | Geo. F. Robinson..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| John Goodwin, Jr.... | 82 | Marblehead..... | Sam'l B. Hidden, Jr.. | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | R. C. Waterman..... | Last Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.... | W. W. Foster..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | Charles E. Woodard.... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Henry Wilson..... | 86 | Maynard..... | George Flood..... | 1st Thursday |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.... | Thomas Fallon..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | Isaac M. Holt..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chapman, Jr.... | 89 | Beverly..... | Wm. H. Morgan..... | Thursday |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | J. A. Roberts..... | Monday |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxborough..... | J. B. Davidson..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis Washburn.... | 92 | Brighton..... | A. B. Collier..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls.... | George R. Pierce..... | Tuesday |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | A. R. Holmes..... | 2d and last Thur. |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks.... | 95 | Saugus..... | James A. Parker..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | Levi Whitcomb..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | | |
| J. D. Mirick..... | 98 | Princeton..... | E. W. Gill..... | 2d Saturday |
| | 99 | | | |
| William B. Greene.... | 100 | Methuen..... | Charles E. Trow..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | George E. Anderson... } | Thursday |
| | | | South Groveland } | |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | George A. Fletcher.... | 2d Wednesday |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | Amos O. Kinney..... | Thursday |
| | | | P. O. Box 2 } | |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | J. Frank Goodwin.... | 1st Thursday |
| | 105 | | | |
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| | 107 | | | |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | Patrick Cole..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton.... | B. F. French..... | Last Friday |
| Capt. Horace Niles.... | 110 | Randolph..... | Wm. A. Croak..... | 1st Friday |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | H. H. Collamore..... | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| | | | North Pembroke } | |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate.... | Alpheus Thomas..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| | | | Ridge Hill } | |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | T. R. Mathews..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| | | | 50 Central St. } | |

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|------------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac | Frank E. Hall..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | Moses P. Palmer..... | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | Charles F. Read..... | 1st Wednesday |
| | | | South Gardner } | |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | William F. Guild..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | John R. Merritt..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | L. G. Babcock..... | |
| | 120 | | | |
| Timothy Ingraham .. | 121 | Hyde Park..... | David W. Lewis | 1st Friday |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | Moses M. Dennett..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol..... | Edwin J. Shaw..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick | 124 | East Bridgewater.. | William H. Osborne..... | 1st Thursday |
| | 125 | | | |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams | | Alternate Wed. |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | N. T. Howland | 2d Saturday |
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| George H. Thomas.... | 131 | Leicester..... | E. H. Stearns..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | Cherry Valley } | |
| | 132 | | | |
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| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston | L. H. Thompson..... | Thursday |
| | | | Post Office } | |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | Hammond W. Paige..... | 2d and last Wed. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | Cyrus H. Wesson..... | 1st Monday |
| | 137 | | | |
| | 138 | | | |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | John M. Woods..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| | 140 | | | |
| | 141 | | | |
| D. B. Eames..... | 142 | So. Framingham... | E. P. Simpson..... | 2d and last Sat. |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline | C. E. Hapgood | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | Amasa Guild..... | 2d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleborough | E. S. Horton..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| R. G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford..... | | |
| | 147 | | | |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester | G. A. Hall..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Major G. L. Stearns... | 149 | Charlestown | Wm. H. Johnson..... | |
| | | | Cor. Shawmut & Cross } | Friday |
| | | | Sts., Somerville } | |
| Major Boyd..... | 150 | | | |
| | 151 | West Newbury..... | E. P. Stanwood | 2d and 4th Sat. |



GEORGE H. PATCH,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1882-83.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.
HELD AT
BOSTON, 1883.

JANUARY 29.—EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Faneuil Hall, Boston, Jan. 29, 1883, at 7 o'clock P.M., in compliance with General Orders No. 11, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 7.30 by Department Commander George H. Patch. The Officer of the Day reported all present members of the Order.

Prayer was offered by Department Chaplain John W. Lee.

Commander Patch announced the Encampment opened in due form, and appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz.: The Assistant Adjutant-General; Chief Mustering Officer A. C. Monroe; Assistant Quartermaster-General Geo. L. Goodale; Comrade Chas. H. Parsons of the Council; Comrade E. P. Gibbs of Post 9; Comrade W. J. Mansfield of Post 12.

Commander Patch then announced that the Commander-in-Chief, with some members of his staff, were in waiting, and desired to visit the Encampment. He was waited upon by the following committee, viz.: Judge Advocate E. P. Simpson; S. B. Dearborn of Post 12; James Pope of Post 4; Benj. A. Bridges of Post 6; Zoeth R. Knowles of Post 11; James Maguire of Post 89; Peter D. Smith of Post 99; Geo. A. Fletcher of Post 102; S. T. Chamberlain of Post 116; Chas. F. Urann of Post 120; Chas. H. Fuller of Post 142; who retired to the anteroom and immediately returned and presented to the Department Com-

mander the distinguished visitors, who escorted them to the platform and presented to the Encampment, Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Dervoort of Omaha, Neb.; Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief Isaac S. Bangs of Waterville, Me.; Surgeon-General Azel Ames, Jr., Wakefield, Mass.; Past Judge Advocate Geo. W. Williams of Ohio; Silas A. Barton of Lynn, National Council of Administration.

The Commander-in-Chief was accompanied by the following members of his staff, viz.: Adjutant-General Francis E. Brown of Omaha, Neb.; Aides-de-Camp Geo. G. Bailey, Jr., F. W. Merriam, John F. Bruce, Geo. C. Joslin, and Assistant Inspector-General A. C. Monroe.

The party were received in a most cordial manner, and after the interest incident to the reception had subsided, the regular business proceeded.

On motion of Comrade Hill of Post 33, it was

Voted, That the reading of the records of last Department Encampment be dispensed with.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows:—

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 437 |
| Number present | 351 |

Divided as follows:—

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| Department officers | 15 |
| Past Department Commanders | 6 |
| Post Commanders | 115 |
| Delegates | 215 |
| Total | 351 |

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1883.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | GEORGE H. PATCH. |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | WILLIAM H. HART. |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | JOHN D. BILLINGS. |
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 Post 110. Commander W. A. Croak, Sam. White.
 Post 111. Not represented.
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 Post 113. Commander E. H. Richards, A. N. Sampson.
 Post 114. Commander C. O. Roberts, George A. Grant.
 Post 115. Commander M. P. Palmer.
 Post 116. C. B. Beckwith.
 Post 117. Commander William F. Guild, John H. Pember.
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 Post 121. Commander Lemuel B. French, George L. Eldridge, David
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 Post 122. Commander L. F. Currier.
 Post 123. Commander James Oliver, Jr., Roswell L. Doane.
 Post 124. Not represented
 Post 125. Commander Charles M. Whelden, Robert B. Dickie.
 Post 126. Commander S. H. Smith, F. L. Wheelock.
 Post 127. Commander Charles Atwood, Edward Pendleton.
 Post 128. Commander Leach Clark.
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 Post 130. Commander Henry A. Walker.
 Post 131. Commander Jerome Bottomly, J. F. Kebler.
 Post 132. Commander S. Wells Hunt, J. H. Stevens.
 Post 133. Commander William H. Wade, Edward P. Davis.
 Post 134. Commander John D. N. R. Powell, John C. Lambert.
 Post 135. Commander Hammond W. Page, Joseph Mitchell.
 Post 136. Commander Edward W. Hubbard, James G. Shannon.
 Post 137. Commander George H. Walker, Cornelius Emmons.
 Post 138. Commander Charles W. Parker, Isaiah Hutchins.
 Post 139. Commander Charles F. King, John A. Cummings, F. H
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 Post 140. Commander William E. Jaquith, J. H. Cox.
 Post 141. Not represented.
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 Post 143. Commander T. W. Clements, A. G. Sanborn, W. Y. Gross.
 Post 144. Commander C. A. Taft, A. B. Wentworth.
 Post 145. Commander Fred L. LeBaron, Thomas K. Gay, E. S. Horton.
 Post 146. Commander Chas. H. Harrison.
 Post 147. Commander H. C. Comins.
 Post 148. Commander William A. Snow, E. B. Stillings.
 Post 149. Commander William H. Seymour, David D. Pike.
 Post 150. Commander F. A. Fisk.
 Post 151. Commander Ephraim Bailey.
 Post 152. Commander Timothy Andrews.

The next business was the reports of Department Officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander, George H. Patch, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER GEORGE H. PATCH.

Comrades: Another circuit of the seasons brings us again together face to face as members of the organization we love so well, to review the work of the past year, take counsel as to the duties of the present, and prepare ourselves for the work of the future.

And as we meet here in that full fraternity of feeling that always marks the true comrade, and consider for the hour the present strength and prosperity of our Department and the harmony that has prevailed among the various Posts in our jurisdiction, we should not forget (no matter what altar we bow before as individuals) to thank the Great Commander of the Universe who has protected and preserved us through the changing vicissitudes of the past twelve months, and by His grace and mercy so controlled our daily lives as to make us more willing than ever to practise to the fullest extent the virtues of our creed, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,—Fraternity toward each other, Charity to the needy and destitute, and Loyalty to our principles and our common country.

We have met here not as a body of men to advance selfish schemes or encourage personal aims, but as the representatives of a grand and victorious contest in behalf of freedom and union; not to plan for the benefit of the few, but in behalf of personal freedom, true manhood and our nation's honor, all allied to the desires and hopes of the many.

We do not meet here in the boyish enthusiasm of youth, but in strength and maturity of manhood, with a full knowledge of our position before the generation of today, and as ever with loyal and true hearts to our country and its flag.

We meet to renew our faith in the great principles of our Order, faith in the true comradeship of Fraternity that shall bind us more strongly together as age increases our infirmities and depletes our membership. Faith in that universal Charity that embraces in its beneficence the deserving soldier or his family wherever found, and faith in those vows of devotion to Loyalty and to the government we fought to maintain, the best that human wisdom ever devised, and under which the principles we fought for can best be secured. And finally we meet in full accord with, and undimmed faith in the belief that we are the representatives of that Grand Army of the Union, which stood as a wall of patriotism against the assaults of treason, and added to the dignity and glory of the citizen soldiery of America.

As in those days of our soldier life we questioned no comrade's race, sect, or creed, but only his patriotism and love of

country, so tonight we question no comrade save in accordance with our Rules and Regulations that we may test his patriotic devotion to, and faithful service in the Grand Army. Rank, position and service disappear in the title "Comrade," and all meet upon equal and exact footing in our Encampment.

With such sentiments inspiring our hearts, we have met to perform the annual work of this Encampment, and in full fraternity of feeling I bid you welcome and ask your attention while I review the work of the year, and render an account of my stewardship in the high and honorable position to which I was elevated by your suffrages at the Encampment held in this hall Jan. 30 and 31, 1882.

MEMBERSHIP.

Jan. 1, 1882, the Department was composed of 137 Posts, with an aggregate membership of 10,252, a clear gain of 1,363 under the commandship of Comrade Creasey. The report of the Assistant Adjutant-General imbued me with the idea that the excellent system adopted by my predecessor was worthy of continuance, and with the hope in my heart that the end of my official year would see at least 15,000 members in our ranks and 150 Posts in our Department, I took up the work Commander Creasey laid down. While the fondest anticipations have not been realized the results have been very satisfactory, as we number today more than 12,400 members and they are represented by 151 Posts. Three of the new Posts belong by courtesy to the administration of Comrade Creasey, but by the record they are placed to the credit of the present year. And to offset that I have organized three Posts since Jan. 1, 1883, and have at headquarters the application for a new Post at Winchendon, with the prospect of another from Somerset, both of which I leave as seed corn for my successor to cultivate and cause them to bring forth good fruit. The net gain of the Department to Dec. 31, 1882, was 2,161, and the present condition of the Order has never been equalled. Stronger in numbers and finances, and I believe stronger in Fraternity than ever, we stand today without a single dissenting or discordant element in our ranks, ready for the coming duties and work of the future.

FINANCIAL.

The financial condition of the Department was never so good as today. At Department Headquarters there are no liabilities, and we are in possession of property and funds to the amount of \$1,293.77.

The report of the Department Inspector will show that we are the banner Department in charity. There has been expended in the year from Sept. 30, 1881, to Sept. 30, 1882, \$28,429.53,

and in Post treasuries there remain \$88,280.53, thus presenting indisputable evidence that our comrades understand the objects of our Order.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day of hallowed remembrances and sad recollections was never so generally observed as the one of the past year. Reports received from all parts of the Commonwealth show that the members of our Order paraded in larger numbers than ever before, took a deeper interest in the ceremonies, and had the cordial co-operation of the public to a greater degree than has ever been noticed. This is due largely to the fact that it has been made by law a legal holiday. That it is too much of a holiday in its technical sense is regretted by the members of the Order and by that class of our citizens who regard it as a national day of consecration, but while, as on other public days, sports and games will be resorted to by the pleasure-loving portions of our communities, it gives an opportunity for the comrades to lay aside the pursuits of business, forego the demands of labor, and assemble with their various Posts, and in the quiet cemeteries, removed from the bustle of every-day life, touch elbow to elbow again with the shadowy hosts of the past, who, by their sacrifices and devotion, made the day a possibility. Many of the Posts have changed their former program of arrangements, and assemble in the afternoon of the day in a quiet way, proceed to the cemeteries, decorate the graves, and return to the Post headquarters and dismiss; and assemble in the evening, and, joined by the general public, hold impressive memorial services in church or public hall. If this can be done without neglecting the visitation to every grave, I believe it to be an innovation worthy of practice, for, it seems to me, the Grand Army must not lose sight of the great lesson we are teaching by our presence and influence upon the generation of today, who are familiar with the causes that produced the war and the cost by which our flag was kept unsullied and country undivided, only by the pages of history. Some of the Posts in our Department have adopted the custom of a special memorial service on the Sabbath prior to or following Memorial Day, as those exercises partake both of a religious and patriotic nature. I recommend each Post to hold such services yearly, when possible, the Sunday prior to Memorial Day, in order to prepare the people for the observance of the coming day of consecration.

I cordially concur in the suggestion I was asked to make concerning the presence of the children. Let them join with us, by all means, in dedicating one day in the year to the memory of the brave men who died that the nation might live. Train their young hearts to love and respect men who died for principle, turn their childish steps to those quiet resting-places of the dead, where they

may learn the true nobility that humanity is capable of, and guided by such teachings, they will attain the dignity and stature of manhood and womanhood, and realize more fully that the safety of a free republic depends upon the services of her sons.

We must use every effort and encourage every movement that will tend to keep the day sacred to the people, so that in the age and feebleness of our organization, the generations that come after us shall see to it that the sentiments that cluster around the Day of Memorial may cement more firmly the bond of union, and control and guide them to a nobler citizenship, and a higher appreciation of the blessings of free government, which under the Constitution was made certain and secure by the patriotism of those men whose services are that day commemorated.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

Since the assembling of the last Convention the Soldiers' Home on Powder Horn Hill in Chelsea has been opened. I regret, as I believe you all do, the absence of the master mind who for years has been the head and front of the effort to make it a success; and I rejoice with you that he has lived to see the fondest realization of his expectations. With increasing years the usual robust health that has blessed him in the past began to fail, and he is today in the far West, hoping to regain some of his former vigor. As Department Commander he was loved and respected, as President of the Board of Trustees of the Home none were better known, and I ask you, my comrades, to join with me in sending to him in his far-away home our heartiest sympathy, and our united wish for his complete restoration to health, and that the blessing of the Almighty may comfort and sustain him every day of his life.

The Department Chaplain will embody in his report a detailed story of the condition of the Home, and I only desire to state that up to the present time everything is working in a most satisfactory manner under the efficient superintendent, Gen. James A. Cunningham, and the assistance of his wife, the matron of the Home, who is a treasure indeed, and loved by every one of the veterans who are the recipients of her kindness.

The average number of inmates for the last three months has been about one hundred, the maximum number that can be accommodated with the present fund to draw from.

The trustees will ask an appropriation from the Legislature of a sufficient sum to maintain such a number as the Home will accommodate. The only fund now at the disposal of the trustees is less than \$25,000, and as that is not large enough to create an interest fund of sufficient magnitude to support the Home, the principal is rapidly and surely depleting.

The trustees rely upon your cordial support in their endeavor to raise the necessary amount of funds to make secure the benefits of the Home to the aged and disabled soldiers of the Commonwealth, who, in the prime of their manhood, took their lives in their hands and marched to the front in defence of the honor of the State of their birth or adoption.

I recommend that at each succeeding annual Convention of this Department the trustees of the Home be requested to submit a report of the yearly work of the Home to the delegates assembled, in order that the Grand Army which created the Home may be kept fully informed as to its condition and needs.

COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.

I give my voice and influence to the encouragement and continuance of county associations, and am glad to know that the comrades are realizing their value when conducted entirely in the interest of the Order. If used to gratify personal ambition, the sooner they are abandoned the better.

The plan of action lately adopted meets my hearty approval, and I am sure will reduce the expense of a county association, simplify its system of organization, and redound to the good of the Posts in the counties where it is carried out. I refer to the apparent intention to abstain from yearly encampments and parades, and have monthly and semi-monthly visitations. I am of the opinion that the day for parades and camps of the Grand Army is past. Disguise the fact as you may, notwithstanding the youthful appearance of many of our comrades, the truth is we are getting too old to endure the tramp over paving stones in a city, or the usual march through every accepted street of the large country town. But we can assemble in delegation and in barge, omnibus or boat-sleigh, as the season permits, ride several miles to attend a camp-fire, and after enjoying the flow of eloquence, wit and reminiscence, supply the inner man with substantial yet inexpensive collation, and cheered by the exhilaration of the appetizing coffee, our nerves calmed by the customary smoke, ride home again, even at a late hour, and after a sound sleep, such as must come after temperate enjoyment, awake refreshed for the duties of the coming day.

To these visitations, which may be had at stated intervals not to interfere with the regular meetings, I recommend that worthy soldiers not members of the Order be invited, that they receive the baptism of spirit that may bring them into the fold.

In this connection I desire to state that on such occasions as Posts may decide to be best for their interest, I recommend that the general public be invited to attend, that they may see how the Grand Army enjoys itself, and learn that a camp-fire means noth-

ing but a gathering of soldiers who are glad to see their friends, and at those meetings nothing occurs that any good citizen can object to.

I am inclined to doubt the good results of an encampment under canvas, from the fact that it appears to be difficult to get a sufficient number together to make it a success. Most of our comrades are poor men, and the loss of time, with the extra expense, little though it may be, draws too heavily upon those whose presence would add much to the interest of the encampment. In alluding to this subject I desire to cast no reflection upon those camps that have been held, or the comrades who have labored hard to make them successful.

THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

It was my pleasure and privilege to attend the National Encampment at Baltimore, and I was honored by the escort of Dahlgren Post 2 of South Boston, to whom I desire to publicly express my thanks for the courtesy and kindness extended to myself and such of my staff as joined me in accepting the honor of a special escort. By their kindness I joined with them in receiving the true soldier's welcome from the comrades of Philadelphia, and I, as Department Commander of Massachusetts, received all the honors the position was entitled to. The reception of, and attention paid to Dahlgren Post, and the honor paid to me officially, I am sure cemented stronger the true comradeship of the veterans of the Keystone State and the old Bay State, and I believe I spoke the sentiments of your hearts when, in responding for the Department of Massachusetts, I assured them a warm welcome should their footsteps turn toward our Department, for I am convinced that Fraternity is not one of the lost arts among the comrades in our old Commonwealth.

Massachusetts was represented at the National Convention by a full delegation, and I am glad to say all were united in purpose and harmonious in action. The evening of the day we arrived in Baltimore I called a meeting of the delegates, and after a full and free discussion of more than four hours unanimously agreed upon our course in the Encampment; and all acted in unison when the Convention assembled.

In the ballot for Commander-in-Chief we cast our first vote for that eloquent veteran, the legless Corporal Tanner; but as it was apparent that the voice of the Convention was calling for the private soldier from the West instead of the corporal from the East, we changed our vote on the second ballot and the present Commander-in-Chief was elected.

The last day of the Convention caused the position of Chaplain-in-Chief to be transferred from Massachusetts to New York, but our delegation, alive to the interests of our Depart-

ment, secured the election of another comrade to a position in the National Encampment, Surgeon-General Comrade Azel Ames, Jr., the present Medical Director of the Department. Upon his return from the Encampment he tendered his resignation as Medical Director, but as his position was an elective and not an appointive one, by the advice of the Council of Administration, in concurrence with my own opinion, he withdrew the resignation in order that the comrades of this Encampment might elect his successor.

I am greatly impressed with the necessity of sending a full delegation to each National Encampment in the future, that the prestige Massachusetts has obtained in the past may lose nothing of its influence hereafter; and in my recommendations to the Encampment shall suggest something for their consideration in relation to the delegates to the next National Encampment.

THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

This association, which came into existence four years ago, has passed its days of swaddling clothes and today stands upon a firm basis. Its objects are well understood by the comrades and the results of the labors of that earnest band of women workers is, I am sure, a benefit to this Department. Recognized by the comrades of this State as auxiliary to our organization and commended by the Commander-in-Chief in General Orders, I believe we should extend to them that fraternal feeling that the principles of our Order inculcate. Their work is confined to assisting the widow and orphan and our suffering comrades; surely there seems to be nothing in such action to merit the disapproval of any member of the Grand Army, and so far as my personal observation and inquiry has led me to investigate, I am satisfied that in communities where Posts and Relief Corps work in harmony together, the best possible results have been obtained. And if, in the history of the organization, it has sometimes happened that the best of feeling did not exist, I submit that it would be fairer to place the blame where the facts of the case leave it, rather than censure the motives of the organization whose objects are kindred to our own. The Relief Corps in this State now number nine hundred and forty-one members — a gain of two hundred and twenty-seven the past year, with a net gain of five regularly organized Corps. This, certainly, is an evidence of their vitality. They expended in the year 1882 the sum of \$5,043.70, against \$1,117.97 in 1881, and have a balance on hand in the treasury of \$1,155.56. This surely indicates charity and also united work, which is necessary to secure substantial results. If the above are recognized as facts, then indeed does the Woman's Relief Corps deserve our hearty commendation. I am satisfied that the Corps, like the Grand Army, is gaining

wisdom by experience and is fast outgrowing what may have seemed to some to be vital defects in its organization; and while I may differ with them upon questions of policy, I certainly feel it to be my duty to commend their organizations to all Posts who can unite and work in harmony with them as an organization. In answer to my request for a few facts to present to this Encampment concerning their work during the past year, the Secretary of the Relief Corps says, after giving me the figures above used: "And we look forward to the coming year with hopefulness and deep earnestness, that the results of our work as a band of women may prove financially and socially a benefit to that noble organization, the G.A.R., for whose advancement and interest we most fervently pray." To such sentiments we can all say amen. And while we may not be able to reconcile individual opinions contrary to our convictions, we can stand upon that broad plane of fairness and justice and as comrades and gentlemen pay to these honest, earnest women that tribute of respect and esteem due to all wives, sisters and mothers, who, by their silent influence, exert such a power in our homes, our State and our nation.

THE SONS OF VETERANS.

Twenty-two years ago this coming summer, when President Lincoln called for men to defend the national capital, many young men who today are citizens enjoying all the rights and privileges under the law, were unborn. That significant fact warns us that we are growing old in years, if not in enthusiasm and love for the Order. I have always been opposed to the introduction into our ranks of any but the genuine soldier element, trusting that we shall complete our work with our original membership unbroken save by death, and leaving to posterity the grateful task of recounting our virtues and pronouncing our epitaph; and I am still of the same opinion. But without any attempt at prophecy, I can lift the veil of the future and see not far distant the Grand Army of the Republic reporting more losses by death each year than we gain by muster-in, and on Memorial Day decorating more graves than we have members. In this Department alone we place flowers on more than eight thousand comrades' graves each year. I trust and believe that our influence among the people of that day will increase in proportion to our decreasing membership. But with increasing age and its accompanying decrepitude comes a lack of power to prosecute our work. Who shall take our place? Who shall hold up our hands? Who better than our sons can take up the work that we lay down and in the strength of their young manhood, inspired by the example of their fathers, honor our record and perpetuate our principles? So, while I am heartily in favor

of excluding from our membership any but those allowed by the preamble in our Rules and Regulations, I cordially welcome the Sons of Veterans who are of us, but not with us. They are, as I understand it, an association composed of the sons of soldiers, of sixteen years and upwards, banded together for the following purposes: To establish fraternal and social relations between each other for the mutual benefit of all concerned. To create by their united effort a charity fund to be used to assist each other in time of need. And an organization to encourage such sentiments among the people as the principles of our organization teach and by keeping their membership intact, take up the work of the Grand Army, perpetuate its principles, and care for the aged and needy veteran when the door of the Post room is closed upon him forever by reason of disbandment. I am not prepared to ask this Encampment to take any action concerning them as an organization, but recommend Posts to examine the merits of the young association and, if they can endorse them and believe it to be a benefit, assist them in increasing their membership.

FROM THE LAST ENCAMPMENT.

At the last meeting of this Encampment it was voted that the Department Commander petition the General Court for an annual appropriation of \$10,000 in favor of the Massachusetts Soldiers' Home. The petition was duly presented and referred to the Joint Military Committee. I appeared before that committee twice and was supported by Past Commanders Adams and Creasey and Senior Vice-Commander Hart, and we advocated the appropriation, supporting it with such statements as the case demanded. The committee, a majority of whom happened to be Grand Army men, received us courteously and gave us a fair hearing; but owing to the fact that the Home was unopened and at that time we could not decide upon a date for opening, the committee, fearing the project would be defeated during its passage through the Legislature, deemed it wise to refer it to the next General Court, which was accordingly done.

The vote of the last Encampment, providing for a collection for the Soldiers' Home on the third Sunday in October, should have been carried out by a circular being sent from Department Headquarters, calling attention of Posts to the fact. I plead guilty to an entire forgetfulness of the vote of the Convention until the time stated had passed. The near approach to Thanksgiving and the holiday season, and the fact that the trustees intended to again petition the General Court for an appropriation, caused me to question the expediency of sending the circular later, and the vote of the Encampment has not been carried into effect.

WORK OF POSTS.

Paragraph 5 of General Order No. 8 called upon all Post Commanders to report the number of camp-fires, fairs, missionary meetings and other gatherings held by Posts during the year. I desired to show what the Posts had been doing under my administration to build up the Order and thought to embody it in my report to this Encampment. But as only nineteen Posts responded to the order, I am led to believe that they care but little about the matter, and therefore no report of such facts will be made.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The suggestions I offer under this head are made after careful consideration of the various propositions they refer to and a conviction that such action as is covered by the recommendations will result in benefit.

SOLDIERS' RECORDS.

The preparation of several regimental histories has developed the fact that there are many inaccuracies in our records at the State House, also in the rolls of the War Department at Washington. Men are reported dead at Andersonville who died at Macon, others reported dead who are living today; some men who enlisted and served for months in a company and are living today and can prove their service, are met by the fact that they were never officially in such a command and should they desire to secure State aid, pension, back pay or any other legitimate claim, can never obtain it until the error has been corrected. Just how far the Grand Army can take any action I am in doubt. But I recommend that the incoming Council of Administration investigate the facts in the case and if they can devise any remedy for the evil, give them full power to request the State and national authorities, upon proper evidence of an error being shown, to cause an official correction to be made or an addenda made up announcing such corrections; such addenda to be attached to the original record of each land and naval organization.

DEPARTMENT RECORDS.

Since the organization of this Department the records have been well kept and of late years a great deal of care has been used to place them in such a position as to insure them from the disastrous effects of fire, that on one occasion proved to be of incalculable damage to the Department. The books and papers are at present stored in a fire-proof vault for safe keeping, while the increasing business of the Department causes an aggregation of the value of the papers and the urgent necessity of safe keeping.

The fact that our organization has come to stay for a term of years, to say the least, makes our records of peculiar interest to our membership. Each year the records of our annual Encampment are printed in pamphlet form for distribution to the several Posts. I recommend that the incoming Council of Administration be authorized to cause the reports of the various Encampments to be published in one volume, including all General Orders issued by the various Commanders, and furnished at cost to the Posts who shall desire them; the Council not to proceed to incur such expense until a sufficient number are ordered to insure the expense of publication. With over twelve thousand members in the Department I am inclined to believe that there are enough members who would like such a record to refer to occasionally, and in case of fire at headquarters such of the records as would be embodied in the volume could easily be replaced.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

I recommend that the delegates in Convention assembled instruct the delegates to the National Encampment to cause the last sentence of Article VII., Chapter 2, to be stricken out. The sentence referred to is as follows: "If there is no election on the first two ballots, the name of the comrade receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped and so on in successive ballots until an election is made." As I understand the spirit of the Grand Army, the right of free and equal suffrage is assured to all comrades in good standing. Believing that the sentence referred to disfranchises every comrade who desires to continue voting for the comrade who receives the "lowest number of votes," I am opposed to its remaining as a portion of the Rules and Regulations.

SUSPENDED MEMBERS.

I again renew a recommendation that I have several times endeavored to carry through the Convention when a delegate, that under the caption "Arrearages," the word "may," in Sections 3 and 4, be substituted for the word "shall," leaving it optional with Posts as to the disposition of non-paying members. The rule is peremptory and is as unjust as it is iron-clad. For the Quartermaster who obeys the rule is clearly bound to suspend every member who is six months in arrears, or drop from the rolls any comrade one year in arrears. Such comrade may be one thousand miles away from home, may be confined to his bed by sickness, and, if the facts are not known to the Quartermaster, great injustice may be done. There appears to be no need of such a rule, as Posts, in my judgment, are the best judges of their own membership and if the harsh word "shall" be stricken out and the milder word "may" inserted, Posts who feel that

they need to use severer measures can so adapt their by-laws to regulate any necessary difficulty that may arise. I trust the Convention may agree with me and ask our delegates to the National Encampment to endeavor to secure such amendment to the Rules and Regulations.

TRANSFERS.

One of the most vexatious provisions of the Rules and Regulations is the system of transfers. In my opinion it is as useless as it is troublesome, of no benefit to the Grand Army, and a positive injury in many cases to comrades holding such a paper. Under the present rules any comrade in good standing who desires shall receive a transfer, good for a year from the date of its issuance, and during that year he pays no dues, enjoys all the privileges of every comrade who is paying, and if, at the end of the year, he is not admitted to membership in any Post, he is honorably discharged and during the year is subject for purposes of discipline only to the Post giving the card. If a comrade present such transfer to any other Post he has to accompany it with an application, and if rejected by the Post his name has to be forwarded to Department Headquarters, when, in point of fact, if he is not admitted to membership in any other Post prior to the expiration of the year, he is honorably discharged. Section 3, Article IV., Chapter I., provides the remedy for all the trouble of the transfer system. That provides for an honorable discharge; any comrade in good standing can receive one by asking and then can do just what he would have to do if he had a transfer, make out a new application. He could be elected, admitted without muster and renew his membership by renewing his obligation. I trust this Encampment will coincide with my views and instruct the delegates to amend Article IV., Chapter I., by striking out the whole of Section 2.

COUNCIL AND DELEGATES.

In speaking of the National Encampment I stated I should suggest something to the Convention concerning delegates. The recently awakened interest in the Grand Army in the great States of the West and their increase in membership makes it possible in the near future for any National Encampment to contain a majority of delegates who may by their votes keep the annual meeting west of the Mississippi river, and can, if strong enough, elect officers without any special regard for the interests of New England. Massachusetts has always been a power in the National Encampment because of the united front presented by their delegation, which in many cases was supported by the delegates from all the New England States. To keep that position in the future it will be necessary to send a full delegation; and,

as the next Encampment is to be held at Denver, Col., twenty-four hours' ride beyond Omaha, it is important that only those delegates are selected who will pledge themselves to go; and as the selection of our representatives is a matter that ought to be carefully considered, I recommend that the committee usually appointed be divided and suggest that two committees be selected, viz., a committee of five to bring in a list of names for the Council of Administration, and one of eleven to bring in a list of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment. This will divide the responsibilities and prevent members of the committee from having a pressure brought to bear upon them from two directions. I trust the comrades will agree with me in this matter, to the end that proper representatives may be selected who are sure to go and make the influence of our Department a power for good in our next National Encampment.

PERSONAL WORK.

The sense of inward satisfaction I feel at the results of the past year has induced me to give to the Encampment a brief *résumé* of my labors, in which I have everywhere been met by such loyal support and fraternal recognition that the cares of official responsibilities and the duties of my office have been so lightened and my efforts so encouraged that what was a duty became a pleasure. I have been able to represent the Department on eighty-eight different occasions and as near as I compute from my note-book, have met the comrades of more than one hundred and ten Posts of this Department. I have represented the comrades of this State at Calais, Me., Philadelphia, Pa., and Baltimore, Md. In our own Department I have attended twenty-four camp-fires, thirteen Grand Army fairs, eight anniversary dinners, organized one Post and assisted at the organization or reinstitution of four others, attended the dedication of the Colosseum at Lynn and the dedication of three Grand Army halls, attended six memorial services, delivered two Memorial Day addresses and one special memorial address at Beverly, visited a meeting of the Loyal Legion, attended eleven regimental reunions and three balls given by Posts of this Department; and at all these gatherings I have endeavored to fitly represent the organization which I have the honor to command.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

When I first met with the Council of Administration and explained to them my ideas of building up the Order and my hopes for the coming year, I expressed the wish to all present that they would use their own judgment in visiting Posts, taking upon themselves the full authority to officially visit any Post at their convenience; and I urged the Senior and Junior Vice-Com-

manders not to feel under obligation to accompany me when I was called, but rather to be prepared to represent me before Posts whose invitations I should be obliged to decline. This suggestion they have carried out to the letter as their report to me will show.

Senior Vice-Commander Hart has accompanied me but six times the past year, although he has made thirty-two official visitations, having represented the Department Commander at nine camp-fires, one monument dedication, one Colosseum dedication, four fairs, one picnic, one annual supper, attended the National Encampment, visited and inspected four Posts, and delivered three Memorial Day addresses.

Junior Vice-Commander Billings has made fifty-three official visits to thirty-nine different Posts, in nine different counties of the State, exclusive of marching with Plymouth County Convention at Marshfield; or, in detail, he has both visited and inspected six different Posts, performed two regular and two special installation services, attended three memorial services, ten camp-fires, eight fairs, three anniversaries and five Norfolk County visitations, and has in this work accompanied the Department Commander on fifteen different occasions.

The members of the Council who were called upon to perform certain duties did all they were asked to do. Comrade Sloane inspected six Posts and visited ten others during the year. Comrade Brown both visited and inspected four Posts, making eight visitations in all. Comrade Parsons has made about twenty visitations, beside attending to his inspection duty, and assisted the Department Commander in organizing Post 152.

OFFICIAL STAFF.

Assistant Adjutant-General Meech has assisted at the organization of six Posts, visited and inspected eighteen Posts, attended sixteen fairs, camp-fires and missionary meetings, and organized three Posts. He has travelled three thousand miles in carrying out the missionary work of the Order.

Assistant Quartermaster Goodale has visited and inspected ten Posts and attended to the various duties of his office, and, but for a long and severe illness, would have devoted much more time to the work of the Order, and has been at the post of duty whenever ordered by the Department Commander.

Inspector William L. Baird has performed all the duties of his office faithfully, as his report will show, and has always manifested great interest in the upbuilding of the Order.

Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15 was appointed as Judge Advocate of this Department and served in that position until December 6. During that time he inspected several Posts, attended camp-fires, Grand Army of the Republic fairs, and performed such other duties as were required in the discharge of his office.

Judge Advocate Simpson has visited and inspected five Posts and attended the Department Commander on four official visitations, beside installing the officers of two Posts, making sixteen tours of duty in all.

Chief Mustering Officer Munroe has assisted at the organization of eight Posts, visited four Posts in the spring and inspected fourteen Posts in the fall, attended three camp-fires, three fairs and one missionary meeting. In addition to this duty he was called by the Commander-in-Chief to Omaha to open National Headquarters and assist the newly appointed Adjutant-General in starting the new National administration for the coming year. During his visit West he attended several large gatherings of the Grand Army in that section of the country, and during the past two months has rendered valuable service to the Department in the capacity of acting Assistant Adjutant-General.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

Early in the year I called together my staff and aides-de-camp and the Council of Administration and laid before them a plan of spring visitation to be officially made at the expense of the aides-de-camp and other officers. I had the idea in view of two official visitations, one in the early springtime, to get at the condition of the several Posts, and thus, by reports to Headquarters, show us where the weak points in our line were, so we could attend to it at once; and again, to have the same comrades inspect the same Posts in the fall and note the loss or gain in numbers, discipline or efficiency.

In this plan I was cordially supported by all, both elected and appointed officers and aides-de-camp, but, owing to the time taken in the selection of my aides, the work was delayed so that but ninety-four Posts were visited and some of the Posts that needed instruction and encouragement were neglected. But even with the work partially done, I am more than satisfied with the experiment, knowing that the spring visitation saved at least three Posts to the Department who are now thriving and prosperous, and helped a number more over what seemed to them to be a hard road and set their faces toward the morning.

The fall inspections were much more satisfactory; as I am happy to state, the report of the Department Inspector will show that for the first time in the history of this Department every Post has been officially inspected. In selecting my aides-de-camp I invariably sought present or past Post Commanders, whenever such were found in the locality from which I desired to select an aide. I selected twenty-eight, in order that I might get from that number a corps of active workers who would carry out my ideas to the letter. Contrary to my expectations, all but two have proven loyal to the core and performed gallant service; and the

two referred to were, from causes entirely beyond their control, obliged to abstain from night work, but their hearts were in it, though their bodies were absent. By the efforts of my aides-de-camp I have been greatly assisted and in justice to them I desire to give you a brief *résumé* of their work.

Comrade Connig visited and inspected seven Posts and attended three camp-fires. Comrade Pitman has inspected three Posts, besides making several visitations to camp-fires and fairs. Comrade Fellows has visited and inspected two Posts and visited four other Posts, and attended the National Encampment, a camp-fire and a dedicatory service. Comrade Philip Creasey has accompanied the Department Commander on eight different occasions, beside visiting and inspecting five Posts. Comrade Newhall has visited and inspected three Posts and made four other official visits. Comrade Gross has attended twenty gatherings, including his work of visitation and inspection. Comrade Atwood has visited and inspected six Posts, beside attending other Grand Army of the Republic gatherings. Comrade Wheaton has visited and inspected eight Posts, besides two other visits during the year. Comrade Teele has made six official visits and inspections, and attended one memorial service and two camp-fires. Comrade Pierce has visited and inspected eight Posts, installed the officers of one Post and attended three camp-fires. Comrade Remington has visited and inspected three Posts and attended four camp-fires. Comrade Sawyer visited and inspected nine Posts and attended seven camp-fires, and installed the officers of two Posts. Comrade Elwell visited eight Posts, inspected six, attended nine camp-fires, two picnics and one dedication. Comrade Cushing has officially visited four Posts, inspected six, visited with the Department Commander twelve Posts, assisted in organizing a new Post, and attended the National Encampment. Comrade Cook has visited seven Posts. Comrade Thomas has inspected four Posts and attended five other gatherings of the Grand Army. Comrade Hodges has visited four Posts and inspected five, beside attending two other meetings of the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrade Lindsey has visited four Posts, inspected six and installed the officers of three Posts, attended eight meetings of Posts and three camp-fires. Comrade Black has visited and inspected four Posts, attended three camp-fires and two Grand Army of the Republic fairs. Comrade Gibbs visited in the spring ten Posts and inspected them in the fall, attended two camp-fires, the opening of two fairs, delivered one Memorial Day address, and did special duty at Posts 86 and 98, in closing up their work after they voted to disband. Comrade Frost has visited and inspected four Posts and attended several camp-fires and other Grand Army gatherings. Comrade M. B. Palmer attended several camp-fires, installed the officers

of one Post and visited a number of Posts in the northern part of Middlesex County, and did a grand work in instituting memorial services in a town where the day had never before been observed.

This work of the elected and appointed officers, though done willingly, has often been performed at some personal sacrifice and no inconsiderable expense; and as the system of frequent visitation seems to be the imperative rule for the future, and as I am to step down into the ranks again, I desire to speak plainly to the comrades and give them my views on the matter. To those who may succeed me that may be the possessors of plenty of this world's goods, the burden may not fall heavily upon them; but unless the Encampment can select such comrades to serve them and thus bar out the worthy but poor comrade who may possess the needed qualifications for high official position, the burden will still be hard to bear.

As it is generally understood that the visits of Department officers are for the benefit of the Post visited, I ask the comrades to take into careful consideration the question of necessary expense and loss of time incurred by visitations. Every earnest comrade can cheerfully and safely give what time is needed, but the legitimate expenses of travel and hotel bills should, in my judgment, be borne by the Post who may feel the need of the Commander and his Staff. This will lift the burden from the individual and place it upon the Post and it will not be felt by the mass of men as in the single case. With the adoption of this idea and a fair distribution of elected and appointed officers, no public gathering of the Grand Army ought to be held without a Department representative present, if such be the wish of the Post, although I am led to believe many successful meetings may be held with good results and no such officer be present.

THE FUTURE OF THE GRAND ARMY.

Having arrived at the full maturity of our manhood as an organization and realized even the fondest anticipations of the projectors of the Grand Army, we now ought to look calmly into the future and in our health and power devise ways and means not only to add to our lease of life, but to lighten the burdens of our later years, when, by reason of feebleness and lack of numbers, we may not present so strong a front as today. We have been fraternal all these years, through prosperity and adversity, through good report and evil report, and need indulge in no regrets for the past. We have been loyal to our principles as we were to our country and its flag. And we have been charitable, yes, too much so, in my judgment. I am fully aware that the second clause in the objects of the Grand Army distinctly states: "To assist such former comrades in arms as need help

and protection and to extend needful aid to the widows and orphans of those who have fallen," and I believe to refuse to assist any such worthy person would certainly violate the spirit of our Order; but I wish the word "deserving" could be inserted therein.

The Grand Army of the Republic has been in existence sixteen years; it has outlived ridicule, contumely, attacks of enemies and false charges, and has steadily progressed to its present condition of prosperity and power. And all these years thousands of dollars raised by our labor and enterprise have been expended by our relief committees, to whom? Those who stood shoulder to shoulder in the work of maintaining and perfecting our organization? By no means; the record of all our Posts will show that the soldiers outside our ranks have received by far the larger portion of it.

Far be it from me to condemn the record of the past or to take one jot or tittle from that charity that has been so universal. But we stand strong today; we command the respect and confidence of the citizens of our State; and while there are no doubt satisfactory reasons existing in the minds of many ex-soldiers that may prevent them from being with us, as they were of us in the past, yet to my mind no good reason can exist that will allow them to see us bearing the heat and burden of the day and then expect us to aid them when in distress. If the organization is not good enough for them to join, it should be too good for them to receive assistance from. I believe the time has come when each Post ought to set aside a small per cent of their charity fund from which to assist outside soldiers, and devote the balance to the care and protection of "deserving" soldiers; and that word should include only members of the Order in good standing. The consideration of the question of charity has caused me to give some thought and attention to the future charities of the Order and how the veterans of the Grand Army are to receive the care and attention that age and decrepitude call for.

The remedy is in our own hands, but it must be applied ere we lose our numbers and with them our power. If we can cut off promiscuous assistance to soldiers not members of the Order and devote our energies to creating a large relief fund, that, properly invested, would yield a handsome income, then in the later years of our organization or further in the future, when a few white-haired veterans represent our Order, the result of our labors and theirs, if they are with us today, may enable them to live in happiness and contentment and, removed far from the visitations of poverty, prepare themselves for the glories of the unknown future. Some of our Posts have already adopted this idea with good results, but I believe that even this method may be improved on. The fact that a Post has a fund, whether in

the hands of trustees or of the Post Quartermaster, is sometimes of itself a disturbing element. Many Posts have within their ranks a certain number of good comrades who have influence, but who would not be good financiers and might, if permitted, expend a fund legitimately but not carefully. This would not be any serious disadvantage if the fund could be recreated; but if it was invested to secure old age against poverty, its expenditure would be disastrous to the interests of expectant beneficiaries. This may be averted by investing funds in real estate in growing localities and, having purchased, make it impossible to ever sell it again. The income will be small at first, but lease it for the erection of buildings thereon and the ground rent, adjusted to keep pace with added valuation, would yield an income that in twenty years would be actually surprising. This plan might be carried out in many of our cities and growing towns and by entailing the property to our descendants, lay the foundation for the comfort if not competence of our children. There is a great need of some action on our part in creating now, in our vigor, a revenue for the days of our decrepitude; for, unlike other charitable organizations, ours has no specified system of benefits and, if it had, we shall soon have no one to work to create the money necessary to carry on a system of charity.

With these facts before us, it will at once be seen that the future of the Grand Army must be a future of work and not of idleness, and you and I, comrades must be the workers. We must work to increase the membership, hoping to secure the aid of every soldier worthy to join our ranks; work to increase the system and efficiency of our Posts and our Department; work to inculcate harmony in our ranks, to cement still more closely the tie of that Fraternity that has thus far marked our career as comrades; work to create means of assistance for needy and suffering comrades and their principles and apply the principle of equal and exact justice in its distribution; work to renew in the minds of the people of today that sentiment of loyalty that made our republic a possibility; work to teach our children the inestimable value of liberty and the blessings of free institutions which we, by our efforts and in the providence of God, saved from disruption and transmitted unsullied to those who shall succeed us.

When I accepted this position from your hands, with my heart filled with pride and gratitude for the confidence reposed in me, and realizing the responsibility placed upon me, I said at that time: "The example set by my predecessor will be a stimulus for untiring exertion and I trust that, when at the close of the year I return to you the stewardship you this day have confided to my keeping, our ranks will have gained many recruits, our charities become more beneficent, and the banner of our Department, unsullied as it has been in the past, shall be held higher

than ever in the national columns of our Order and still in letter and spirit symbolize those grand principles that make us better soldiers and more loyal citizens." The work of the year is accomplished, its record is made up, and in a few hours more my stewardship will pass to other hands, whom you shall elect to receive it. That the work of my hands has not been all I could ask I do not hesitate to say; that it has been productive of better results than I dared even hope, I am proud to acknowledge. But with all the personal satisfaction I feel comes the tender and grateful remembrance of cordial and loyal support from every comrade in the Department, without which any effort of mine would have been unavailing; and I hope that when I yield up to my successor the responsibilities of the office, I may be spared many years of activity and usefulness in the ranks from which your suffrages called me. And in conclusion let me invoke you to give to those comrades you shall place in official position that same support that has made the past year of our life in the Grand Army so successful. With that prayer upon my lips, I await the further pleasure of the Encampment.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

Department Commander and Comrades: I have the honor to present herewith my Seventh Annual Report, covering the doings at Department Headquarters for the year 1882.

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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1881 | 137 |
| " Comrades reported same date | 10,252 |
| " Posts, Dec. 31, 1882 | 148 |
| " Comrades reported same date | 12,413 |
| A clear gain during the year of | 2,161 |

The foregoing gain, by quarters, is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz. :—

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| First quarter | 606 |
| Second quarter | 760 |
| Third quarter | 394 |
| Fourth quarter | 401 |

The following changes have taken place in the membership of the Department during the year :—

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| Number of comrades gained by muster | 2,364 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 228 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement | 1,452 |
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| Total number gained | 4,044 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 125 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 37 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 251 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 1,437 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge, none | |
| “ “ “ disbanding of Posts | 33 |
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| Total loss | 1,883 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 2,161 |
| Number of rejections during the year | 60 |

POSTS.

Two Posts have surrendered their charters during the year, viz., Post 86 of Maynard, and Post 98 of Princeton. These Posts were small and had been ailing for a long time, and owing to their climatic surroundings they were forced to surrender. The latter Post had become so demoralized that they have never made their reports for the last quarter they were in existence, consequently their affairs were not “closed up honorably” and the members are not eligible to admission to other Posts until that indebtedness is paid.

Three Posts have been reorganized during the year, viz.: Post 14 of Hopkinton; Post 133 of Plainville; and Post 146 of New Bedford.

Ten new Posts were organized during the year, viz.:—

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| Post 86 | Northampton. | Post 137 | East Douglas. |
| “ 125 | Pittsfield. | “ 138 | West Acton. |
| “ 128 | Ipswich. | “ 140 | Athol. |
| “ 130 | Medway. | “ 141 | Harwich. |
| “ 132 | Sandwich. | “ 147 | Amherst. |

These Posts are reported in generally excellent condition, and some of them have taken an advanced position in our Order.

MISSIONARY WORK.

The missionary work of 1881 has been continued with magnificent results, as shown by all reports. The ploughing that has been done in previous years by other administrations, together with the active work of the officers of the year just closing, places

the Department on a sure foundation not only numerically but financially. As a result of these labors three new Posts have been organized since January 1, and as many more are awaiting organization. I see no reason why the growth of the Department should not continue for several years yet, and with careful, earnest work on the part, not alone of Department officers, but of Posts and comrades, I predict a larger growth for the year to come than that which has gladdened our hearts for the one that is closing.

COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS.

In previous reports I have referred to this matter and have expressed my faith in them. I renew it again, and would see them encouraged with much caution and not officially. There may be danger in allowing to be established in different parts of the Commonwealth headquarters for such and such counties, with all the paraphernalia and machinery as a sort of dividing line or wedge to separate the Posts from the Department. I believe that the machinery of the Grand Army is as complicated as it should be, in fact its very simplicity is the strongest point in its favor. Therefore, in these days when certain organizations are clamoring for recognition by our Order, even with half an eye on the perpetuation of the Grand Army, I am decidedly of the opinion that their advances should be firmly but politely declined.

The County Summary has been omitted in this report, as the necessity of a continuation of it does not seem to exist. I however, beg to present herewith a tabulated report by counties.

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 79, North Adams, | 39, | Mar. 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 72, | Mar. 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 34, | June 12, 1870 |
| Total—Posts, 3; members, 145. | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 140, | Oct. 14, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 161, | Jan. 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 125, | Jan. 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 51, | Feb. 29, 1868 |
| 53, Taunton, | 31, | Feb. 5, 1872 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 80, | June 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 19, | April 27, 1881 |
| Total—Posts, 7; members, 607. | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 5, Lynn, | 607, | Feb. 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 266, | Nov. 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 279, | Dec. 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 77, | Jan. 21, 1880 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 176, | Jan. 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 218, | Feb. 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 129, | April 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 26, | Sept. 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 95, | Mar. 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 117, | June 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 91, | June 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 23, | June 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 54, | April 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 73, | Feb. 1, 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 51, | July 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 27, | Dec. 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 31, | Aug. 18, 1869 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 56, | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 31, | Jan. 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 40, | Mar. 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 51, | Jan. 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 14, | Jan. 10, 1874 |
| Total—Posts, 22; members, 2,532. | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 17, Orange, | 56, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 25, | March 4, 1875 |
| 84, South Deerfield, | 20, | April 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 49, | June 15, 1869 |
| Total—Posts, 4; members, 150. | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 16, Springfield, | 244, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 42, | Jan. 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 73, | Nov. 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 56, | Oct. 27, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 29, | July 18, 1881 |
| Total—Posts, 5; members, 444. | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 85, Ware, | 33, | May 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 46, | Aug. 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 43, | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 54, | Oct. 31, 1882 |
| Total—Posts, 4; members, 176. | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 4, Melrose, | 56, | Feb. 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 53, | March 8, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 45, | May 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 138, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 22, | July, 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 40, | Aug. 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 74, | Oct. 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridge, | 93, | Oct. 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 94, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 40, | May 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 71, | Oct. 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 196, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 113, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 30, | Jan. 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 69, | June 26, 1868 |
| 57, Cambridge, | 79, | June 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 76, | July 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 49, | July 23, 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 91, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 103, | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 37, | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 86, Maynard, | 21, | May 26, 1869 |
| 115, Groton, | 40, | July 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 17, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 105, | Oct. 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 44, | May 2, 1883 |
| 139, Somerville, | 72, | Aug. 18, 1870 |
| 142, Framingham, | 38, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 35, | May 22, 1872 |
| Total—Posts, 29; members, 1,951. | | |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES—*Continued.*

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 192, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 30, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 35, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 30, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 60, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 30, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 62, | June 24, 1869 |
| 102, Milton, | 52, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 36, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 20, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 114, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 22, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 30, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 43, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 46, | May 22, 1871 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 802. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 57, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 55, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 36, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 99, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 102, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 81, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 108, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 38, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 66, | July 29, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 33, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 27, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 19, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 25, | June 11, 1870 |
| Total — Posts, 13; members, 746. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 113, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 145, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 74, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 215, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 47, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 82, | Sept. 17, 1867 |
| 26, Roxbury, | 103, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 66, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 284, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 76, | Oct. 8, 1868 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 92, Brighton, | 47, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 65, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 23, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 23, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| Total — Posts, 14; members, 1,363. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 400, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 151, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 61, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 20, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 24, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 42, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 19, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 102, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 28, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 38, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 53, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 90, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 24, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 26, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 86, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 66, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 44, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 28, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 45, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 24, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 59, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 24, | June 28, 1869 |
| 98, Princeton, | 18, | Aug. 3, 1877 |
| 105, Upton, | 31, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 18, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 50, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 58, | June 1, 1870 |
| 131, Leicester, | 48, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 18, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 11, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 39, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 72, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| Total — Posts, 32; members, 1,817. | | |

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 23, | Feb. 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 41, | Mar. 15, 1882 |
| Total — Posts, 2; members, 64. | | |

RECORDS.

The conditions of the records of the Department is a matter to which I have given much thought. The older members of the Department will recall the fire that destroyed our headquarters on May 30, 1873. At that time not only our own records and property, but all belonging to National Headquarters, which had but the day before been transferred from New York, was a total loss; and all we have so far as the early history of the Department is concerned is rather a matter of tradition. We have nothing definite previous to 1873, either written or printed, and even our records for 1873 and 1874 will require immediate attention, as they are partly written and partially made up of newspaper cuttings, and the latter are turning yellow and becoming otherwise indistinct.

I am sure the material is at hand or can be secured that will complete these records from the earliest days, especially as many of the comrades are living who were active then.

I have endeavored to secure as much material as possible in the years I have been at headquarters, but have not been as successful as I could wish, owing to a press of other business. In view of the fact that I may have more leisure to attend to such matters in the year to come, I propose to the Department, with your permission, to secure the information necessary and put it in such shape as will seem to be the most desirable, and at some future meeting of the Department I will submit the result of my labors for your approval. So far as the expense is concerned, I would suggest that none be incurred without the approval of the incoming Council of Administration, and then only for postage, etc.

HEADQUARTERS.

The office we have used for a little over four years past is wanted for other purposes and must be vacated at once. Whether the new administration will succeed in obtaining so desirable a location is a question, but I trust that the climbing propensities of our comrades will be taken into consideration when the selection is made.

The amount of business transacted at headquarters has averaged with the previous year not only as to the correspondence received, but forwarded, with somewhat of an increase in the latter. Twelve General Orders and one hundred and twelve Special Orders have been issued under the present administration.

During the latter part of the year I have been obliged to absent myself from headquarters more or less, but was satisfied that naught could go wrong under the guidance of the acting Assistant

Adjutant-General and the young man who has seemed to have become a part of headquarters.

I respectfully present a recommendation at this time regarding the incoming Assistant Adjutant-General, not only that the salary and extra allowance for clerk hire be continued, but that his actual hotel and travelling expenses while attending the sessions of the National Encampment be paid by the Department.

CONCLUSION.

Comrades, I presume it is generally known that with the close of this Encampment my official connection with headquarters will cease. After nearly seven years' occupancy of the position as Assistant Adjutant-General, it would be strange indeed if I did not look upon my connection with the Department with mingled feelings of interest and satisfaction, especially the latter, when it is taken into consideration that I have seen some wonderful changes in the condition of the Department. I have seen its membership go down to 7,550 and its finances at a very low point, and today we see a handsome surplus on hand and 12,600 members, a larger paying number than ever before, and the end is not yet. I am sure the glorious future of the Department is assured, and that no backward step will be taken for years at least.

In taking leave of you, my comrades, and in severing my official connection with headquarters and the Department, I cannot refrain from expressing my sincere and heartfelt appreciation of favors received from all, without reserve, and I bespeak for my successor the same cordial and fraternal relations.

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

JAMES F. MEECH, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: As required by the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I submit herewith a statement of the doings of the Assistant Quartermaster-General's Department from Dec. 31, 1881, to the present date.

RECEIPTS.

| 1882. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$33 | 17 |
| Received for dues, fourth quarter, 1881 | 821 | 75 |
| “ “ first quarter, 1882 | 866 | 24 |
| “ “ second quarter, 1882 | 929 | 44 |
| “ “ third quarter, 1882 | 955 | 32 |
| “ “ books and blanks | 509 | 74 |
| “ “ badges | 1,808 | 75 |
| “ “ sundries | 187 | 70 |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$6,112 11</u> |
| Vouchers No 525 to 623 cover expenditures. | | |

In compliance with instructions of last Encampment I submit a statement of affairs of the Department to date, thus including the fourth quarter of 1882, and all items up to 4 o'clock this P.M.

| | | |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| Balance former account | \$298 | 24 |
| Received for dues, fourth quarter, 1882 | 988 | 05 |
| “ books and blanks | 78 | 10 |
| “ badges | 195 | 00 |
| “ sundries | 32 | 50 |
| | | <u>\$1,591 89</u> |
| Jan. 29, 1883, balance cash on hand | | <u>\$683 71</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | <i>Cr.</i> | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| Paid inspector's expenses, 1881 | \$55 | 84 |
| “ “ “ 1882 | 96 | 28 |
| “ National Headquarters, books, badges and supplies | 1,730 | 25 |
| “ National Headquarters, dues | 447 | 40 |
| “ Assistant Adjutant-General's salary to Dec. 1, 1882 | 1,191 | 67 |
| “ rent and care of office | 350 | 00 |
| “ printing proceedings, furnishing General Orders, rosters, books, etc. | 668 | 24 |
| “ postage stamps, postal cards and office expense | 288 | 24 |
| “ missionary work and organizing new Posts | 151 | 38 |
| “ extra clerk hire | 300 | 00 |
| “ balance due on National Headquarters | 481 | 49 |
| “ sundries, chairs used at Encampment, electrotypes of G.A.R. badge, Headquarters Eutaw House, cabinet for blanks, etc. | 53 | 08 |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$5,813 87</u> |
| Balance to new account | | <u>298 24</u> |
| | | <u>\$6,112 11</u> |

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|--|---------|-------------------|
| Paid inspection expenses | \$55 98 | |
| " printing General Orders, books, etc. | 201 25 | |
| " postage, postal cards, office expenses | 35 29 | |
| " Assistant Adjutant-General's salary for Dec. 1, 1882 | 108 33 | |
| " extra clerk hire | 100 00 | |
| " National Headquarters, supplies | 125 00 | |
| " " " dues | 124 13 | |
| " missionary work, new Posts | 20 70 | |
| " rent and lease of office | 29 17 | |
| " Assistant Adjutant-General's salary for Jan- uary, 1883 | 108 33 | |
| Expenditures for month | | 908 18 |
| Balance to new account | | 683 71 |
| | | <u>\$1,591 89</u> |

ASSETS.

| | | |
|---|----------|-------------------|
| Value of supplies on hand | \$387 27 | |
| Due from Posts, C O D. not returned | 26 50 | |
| Office furniture, colors, etc. | 200 00 | |
| Cash | 683 71 | |
| | | <u>\$1,297 48</u> |

It is with greatest pleasure that I present to you this most favorable report of the financial condition of the Department at the present time. For the first time within the past ten years the Department is absolutely free from debt and has a handsome balance at its credit. This most pleasant condition of affairs is due to the increased membership and the consequent demand for books and papers; thus not only does an increased membership add numerically to our numbers, but it adds very materially to the financial standing of the Department.

With the hope that the present good showing of our finances may be an incentive and a stimulus for us all to labor for the future progress and strengthening of our Order, I am,

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE L. GOODALE,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

JAMES F. MEECH, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith the consolidated report in duplicate of the inspections of the Posts in this Department for the year ending Sept. 30, 1882.

The report includes 148 Posts, being the whole number in existence at that date, and I believe that I am not mistaken in saying that this is the first time in the history of the Department that the Inspector has been able to make a full report.

| | |
|---|----------------------|
| Number of comrades in good standing Sept. 30, | 12,288 |
| The work of the Ritual is committed to memory and properly performed in | 71 Posts. |
| The officers and guards are uniformed and equipped in | 91 " |
| Comrades are uniformed and equipped in | 69 " |
| 877 muskets are owned by | 125 " |
| Officers are regular in attendance in | 128 " |
| Comrades are regular in attendance in | 117 " |
| They exhibit an interest in the Post in | 133 " |
| The records are complete and well kept in | 140 " |
| Orders are received and regularly read in | 146 " |
| They are duly obeyed in | 143 " |
| Orders from headquarters are missing in | 12 " |
| All reports and dues have been forwarded from | 147 " |
| The amount charged for muster-in averages | \$2.26 $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| The amount charged for dues quarterly averages | .65 $\frac{2}{3}$ |

Weekly benefits are paid in sickness by 38 Posts, 28 Posts paying regular amounts averaging \$3.03 $\frac{1}{2}$ per week, and 10 Posts paying such sums as the Post may vote in each case.

There are relief funds for charitable purposes in 116 Posts. The amount of money in these funds is \$89,280.53. This fund is systematically dispensed in 112 Posts.

Amount expended in charity from Sept. 30, 1881, to Sept. 30, 1882, \$28,429.53.

Prospects of the Posts are reported to be as follows:

Excellent, 30; good, 81; fair, 26; poor, 10.

The gain in membership to September 30 has been 2,333.

There are four Posts numbering more than 300 comrades, namely: Post 5 of Lynn, 783; Post 10 of Worcester, 434; Post 35 of Chelsea, 390; and Post 16 of Springfield, 328; four Posts number between 250 and 300, namely: Post 39 of Lawrence, Post 34 of Salem, Post 58 of Weymouth and Post 15 of Boston; two Posts number between 200 and 250, namely: Post 42 of Lowell and Post 49 of Newburyport; eight Posts number between 150 and 200; seventeen Posts number between 100 and 150; seventeen Posts number between 75 and 100; twenty-eight Posts number between 50 and 75; fifty-two Posts number between 25 and 50; eight Posts number between 20 and 25; seven Posts number less than 20.

The increase in the amount of money in the relief funds during the year is \$12,250.93.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing. | Is the work in the Ritual properly performed? | Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped? | Are the members uniformed and equipped? | How many muskets are owned by the Post? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | Are the members regular in their attendance? | Do they exhibit an interest in the Post? | Are all the records complete and well kept? | Are orders received regularly and read to the Post? |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Wm. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 155 | No | Yes | No | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 141 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 168 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 53 | No | No | No | 6 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 783 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 47 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 167 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. W. Peirce..... | 8 | 57 | No | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reno..... | 9 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 434 | Yes | No | No | 12 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 85 | No | Yes | No | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 146 | No | Yes | No | 6 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 22 | No | No | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 256 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 328 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 57 | Yes | No | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 190 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 25 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 55 | No | No | No | 6 | No | No | Fair | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 70 | No | Yes | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 85 | No | No | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 30 | No | No | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 28 | No | No | No | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 106 | No | No | No | 5 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 49 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 35 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Fair | No | Yes |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 131 | No | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 43 | Yes | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Washington..... | 32 | 80 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 80 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 260 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 390 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 48 | Yes | Part | Part | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 105 | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 31 | Yes | No | No | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Needham..... | 39 | 297 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hiram G. Berry..... | 40 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 129 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 227 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 115 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 34 | Yes | Yes | No | 3 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 104 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 165 | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Fairly | Yes |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 178 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 32 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 221 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Union..... | 50 | 139 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 55 | Yes | Yes | No | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 50 | No | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 99 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 23 | No | No | No | 5 | Fair | Yes | Fair | Yes | Yes |
| I. D. Paul..... | 55 | 25 | No | No | No | 0 | No | No | No | ..... | ..... |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 74 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 104 | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 259 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 26 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$1 00 | Yes | \$2 00 | Yes | \$1,040 06 | Yes | \$468 22 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | | Yes | 1,026 06 | Yes | 24 68 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 65 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,278 41 | Yes | 1,266 45 | Good |
| Yes | 3, '82 | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 8 64 | Yes | 56 75 | Fair |
| Yes | 12, '81 | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,135 40 | Yes | 3,573 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | Yes | By Vote | Yes | 11 52 | Yes | 353 57 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 300 76 | Yes | 159 55 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,002 18 | Yes | 72 48 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,833 02 | Yes | 365 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,548 47 | Yes | 1,579 41 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,900 00 | Yes | 85 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 398 15 | Yes | 1,025 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 50 | 75 | Yes | By Vote | Yes | 1,393 01 | Yes | 299 39 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 2 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 64 39 | Yes | 174 55 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 119 86 | Yes | 197 68 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 195 18 | Yes | 33 25 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 550 37 | Yes | 80 45 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,277 48 | Yes | 602 30 | Excellent |
| Yes | 1-4 | 7 | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 112 41 | Yes | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | Yes | By Vote | Yes | 200 00 | Yes | 104 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 130 00 | Good |
| Yes | 1 | Five | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 79 | No | 184 98 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | 0 | No | 5 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 15 | No | ..... | Yes | 236 35 | Yes | 67 00 | Fair |
| Yes | 4 | 7 | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 46 53 | Yes | 122 26 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 9 00 | Yes | 24 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 124 40 | Yes | 13 70 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,681 64 | Yes | 167 55 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 95 34 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 769 74 | Yes | 232 55 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | 6 | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 30 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 650 00 | Yes | 40 20 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 1 00 | Yes | 2,521 68 | Yes | 672 07 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 596 25 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,200 00 | Yes | 165 37 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 37½ | No | ..... | Yes | 615 52 | Yes | 164 44 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 333 57 | Yes | 21 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 3,296 00 | Yes | 860 63 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 75 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,123 73 | Yes | 274 14 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 37½ | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 9 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 2,109 56 | Yes | 2,271 93 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 3,£11 12 | Yes | 341 43 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 87 60 | Yes | 20 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 75 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,101 24 | Yes | 43 63 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 23 60 | Yes | 272 74 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | No | ..... | No | 828 23 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 520 05 | Yes | 52 15 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 8,000 00 | Yes | 311 65 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 1,600 00 | Yes | 417 60 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 125 41 | Yes | 22 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | 4 | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 196 66 | Yes | 98 48 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 838 44 | Yes | 255 70 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 201 62 | Yes | 20 00 | Fair |
| ..... | ..... | ..... | Yes | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 110 00 | Yes | 202 50 | Fair |
| Yes | 4 | 7 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 406 88 | Yes | 68 51 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 15 00 | - | No | ..... | Yes | 9,400 30 | Yes | 1,451 57 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 50 78 | Yes | 65 00 | Fair |
| Yes | 3 | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | | Yes | 400 00 | No | | Good |

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|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 92 | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 95 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 68 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 43 | No | Yes | No | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 96 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Allen..... | 67 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 160 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Jos. P. Rice..... | 69 | 29 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 52 | No | No | No | 6 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 78 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 47 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 100 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 102 | No | Yes | No | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 110 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 86 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 25 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 114 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 57 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 70 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 129 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 35 | No | Yes | No | 4 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 22 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 34 | Yes | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 46 | No | Caps | Caps | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 32 | Yes | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. W. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 163 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ward..... | 90 | 94 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 30 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 48 | No | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Revere..... | 94 | 64 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 24 | No | No | No | 10 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 23 | No | No | No | 4 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 55 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Vacant.]..... | 98 | | | | | | | | | | |
| W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 56 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. B. Greene..... | 100 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 46 | No | Yes | Yes | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 55 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 52 | Yes | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. Orson Fisk..... | 105 | 37 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 41 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| S. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 40 | Yes | No | No | 0 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 47 | No | Yes | No | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 18 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 34 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 28 | No | No | No | 5 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 76 | No | No | No | 0 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 51 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 41 | No | No | No | 0 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 51 | Yes | Yes | No | 11 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 20 | No | Yes | Yes | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 32 | Yes | No | No | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 19 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 142 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$ 50 | No | | Yes | \$ 350 04 | Yes | \$ 46 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 150 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 200 00 | Yes | 18 61 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 214 78 | Yes | 54 38 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 135 52 | Yes | 7 75 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 11 00 | Yes | 32 79 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 298 45 | Yes | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 219 51 | Yes | 360 11 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 33 33 | Yes | 45 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 0 | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | Yes | 27 50 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 294 30 | Yes | 134 96 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 241 54 | Yes | 336 99 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 837 00 | No | 223 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,065 33 | Yes | 285 36 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 679 12 | Yes | 342 41 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 211 03 | Yes | 30 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,180 41 | Yes | 286 34 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 28 65 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 162 98 | Yes | 6 25 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 2 50 | Yes | 902 19 | Yes | 162 83 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | .75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 375 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 556 50 | Yes | 20 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 96 40 | Yes | 7 55 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 25 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | 1,2,3,4 | Yes | 2 00 | .75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 97 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 111 62 | Yes | 40 83 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,478 30 | Yes | 893 01 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | .75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,700 00 | Yes | 226 36 | Excellent |
| No | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | .58 | No | ..... | Yes | 71 12 | Yes | 3 88 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 263 76 | Yes | 67 53 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 15 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 238 21 | Yes | 97 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 101 75 | Yes | 18 25 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 12 50 | Yes | 57 49 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 94 50 | Yes | 5 50 | Good |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 168 35 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | .83 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 34 15 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 160 43 | Yes | 183 05 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 101 96 | Yes | 33 69 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | .75 | No | ..... | Yes | 459 09 | Yes | 77 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | By Vote | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 27 99 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | .75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 7 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 183 97 | Yes | 24 70 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | Yes | By Vote | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 361 60 | Yes | 46 13 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 55 00 | Yes | 23 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 7 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 1 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 3,614 20 | Yes | 357 56 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 10 | No | ..... | Yes | 56 82 | Yes | 29 15 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | By Vote | Yes | 1 40 | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 46 51 | Yes | 28 68 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 50 | .33 | No | ..... | Yes | 42 40 | Yes | 24 10 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | | Yes | 675 00 | Yes | | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,083 09 | Yes | 256 92 | Excellent |

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|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 125 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 41 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Parker..... | 123 | 76 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 19 | No | Yes | Yes | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 71 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 36 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 36 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 49 | No | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Vacant] | 129 | | | | | | | | | | |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 32 | No | Yes | Yes | None | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 48 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 20 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Maintien..... | 133 | 30 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 24 | No | No | No | 1 | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 18 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 13 | No | No | No | None | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 40 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 42 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 82 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 72 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 42 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 45 | No | No | No | 13 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 43 | No | No | No | None | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 58 | Yes | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 90 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 16 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| [Vacant] | 147 | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns..... | 149 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| [Vacant] | 150 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 16 | No | No | No | None | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |

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|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | 9 | Yes | \$1 25 | \$0 37 ¹ / ₂ | No | | Yes | \$1,091 73 | Yes | \$225 39 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 90 | Yes | \$4 00 | Yes | 309 69 | Yes | 87 75 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | | No | | No | 23 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | Vote | Yes | 459 96 | Yes | 161 39 | Fair |
| No | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | | Yes | 20 35 | Yes | 13 75 | Good |
| No | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | No | | No | 15 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | | Yes | 250 51 | Yes | 15 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 60 | No | | No | | No | | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | | No | | No | 8 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | No | | Yes | 464 19 | Yes | 57 07 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 75 | No | | Yes | 21 00 | No | 19 00 | Good |
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| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | | No | | No | 13 50 | Poor |
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| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | | Yes | 125 00 | Yes | | Good |
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| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | | Yes | 666 45 | Yes | 43 32 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | | No | | No | | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | | No | | No | 58 84 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 05 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 350 00 | Yes | 15 00 | Excellent |
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The increase in the amount of money expended for charity over that of last year is \$7,907.84.

The increase in membership has been about twenty-four per cent, the increase in the relief funds has been about fifteen per cent, while the increase of the amount expended from that fund has been nearly forty per cent.

The largest amount reported in any one relief fund is \$9,400.30, being that of Post 58 of Weymouth.

The largest amount expended for charity by any one Post during the year is \$3,573 by Post 5 of Lynn.

In my report of last year, I suggested that, in my opinion, the proper time for inspection and instruction is at the beginning of the year instead of during the last quarter. At a meeting of the Council of Administration, held in February, the Commander brought the attention of the Council to the matter, and it was decided that the officers of the Department should make an official visit of observation and instruction to each Post as soon as the arrangements could be made. The details were made with the understanding that they should hold over for the fall inspections, and were perfected as soon as possible, and the order announcing the details was promulgated April 19.

Owing to the unavoidable delay, it was too late to visit all the Posts, but enough were visited and the effects of those visits noted at the fall inspections to demonstrate that it was a step in the right direction, and it is to be hoped that this year will witness at least two official visits by the officers of the Department to each Post within their jurisdiction.

In conclusion, I desire to express my sincere thanks to the officers and comrades throughout the Department with whom I have been brought in contact by my official or social duties for their unvarying kindness and courtesy on all occasions.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

WILLIAM L. BAIRD,
Inspector.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

Commander and Comrades: Another Grand Army year has passed, and I come again to-night in this historic hall to present to you my fourth annual report; and as we shall soon enter upon another year of labor, let us be thankful for the blessings of the past, and covenant anew that, with God's help, what has been

neglected by us during the year 1882 shall be redeemed, so far as in us lies, in the year 1883. 'Tis a mercy indeed that no one among the ranks of the Department of Massachusetts, from your Commander down to him who holds the least important office on your personal Staff, has been taken away by death during the year. All have been preserved, and we can look each other in the face to-night, and from each other up to Him who is the giver of every good and perfect gift, and ascribe to Him glory and honor and praise for ever and ever.

Comrades, we said to you as our parting words one year ago, on this very spot, when this Encampment shall close, go back to your posts of duty, encourage your comrades, replenish your charity fund, bring in every true soldier to the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic, do deeds worthy of your name, and if, in the providence of God, you fall, let it be at the post of duty. How well each of you heeded the advice then given, our increased membership and deeds of charity shall give the answer.

We know, Commander, that much of the praise for this increase in membership and patriotism belongs to you and your noble associates, and the Grand Army of Massachusetts will have no cause to regret that George H. Patch was elected its Department Commander for the year 1882.

In regard to Memorial Day no one of us will ever regret it was made a legal holiday; our increased ranks and the sabbatical stillness of the day all attest the wisdom of the movement made by the Grand Army of the Republic, and so ably and successfully seconded by the rulers of this grand old Commonwealth.

The Soldiers' Home! Have you seen it, comrades? It must be seen to be believed. Its comforts, its blessings, the wisdom of its founders, who can for a moment doubt? It was my privilege to spend some four hours or more on Monday last within its doors and among its inmates. I was received very cordially by the superintendent and his excellent wife, the matron, and I will give you tonight as briefly as possible the result of my own inspection and the statistics of the Board of Trustees, given by Past Department Commander Creasey. After making all the necessary alterations and repairs upon the property, for the proper accommodation of those who were ready and anxious to avail themselves of its privileges, such as steam heating, water supply, hospital accommodations, change of bedsteads from wood to iron, the putting in of double windows on the entire building, and indeed in every respect making it a convenient and comfortable home, such as any soldier might be proud of, I for one feel extremely grateful that we have such a place of refuge in our midst.

The trustees felt obliged, owing to the limited amount of money at their disposal, to fix the number of permanent beneficiaries during the present winter to one hundred men. There have been admitted to the Home, however, since its opening on July 25, one hundred and fifty one comrades, fifty-one of whom have been cared for in the hospital; sixty-one of the number were received direct from the city or town almshouse; one hundred and ten were native born; forty-four of foreign birth; one hundred and thirty-nine served in the army, and twelve in the navy during the war. Several of the inmates are over seventy years of age, while the average of those who have been received is fifty-five years.

There are at the present time ninety-five comrades at the Home. Twenty-three of the number are sick in the hospital and need the constant attention of physician and nurse; thirteen have died and ten have been buried from the Home since its opening, and this may seem to you, who hear me tonight, a large number, and so it is. But when we consider that a large proportion of these came from the poorhouse and were received with the seeds of disease and death upon them, some of them even dying, we cease to wonder.

Charles D. Hatch came to the Home December 29, sent by the selectmen of Natick, from the poorhouse. He died January 1, less than four days in the Home, but he died in the Home, and the flag he fought to save sheltered him and he was content.

Patrick Dacy came from the poor-farm at Rainsford's Island, was but a short time in the Home and died January 7.

William Sanborn, from Lynn, died in great peace, exclaiming that he was in heaven, and the angels were around him; and then placing his hand in that of the matron, said, "This is indeed heaven and you are an angel," such was his joy to be in such a Home with loving hands to care for him and tend him.

Bariah Williams coming from the New Bedford poorhouse, says, "I am a man now, and not ashamed to look in the face of my fellows; I am in a Soldiers' Home now, and not in the poorhouse."

Daniel Fredericton, an old sailor, aged seventy-one, with no relatives or any one to care for him, came from an almshouse to the Home, often exclaimed, "What a beautiful place! What a home!"

From the lips of others who have died have come expressions of gratitude for the many comforts and blessings they had received there. Another who has since died, said, after returning from a visit to his friends, "I am so glad to return to this beautiful spot; for this is truly my home." Five have been discharged from the Home for drunkenness and disobedience of orders, so that the trustees are determined that none but the true man and

soldier can receive shelter in the Home, nor retain it if he be a constant transgressor.

The method adopted by the trustees for admission to the Home, and to guard against the imposition of the unworthy, is this: Every applicant must be recommended by some one of the trustees, and the application must receive the indorsement of the board of aldermen of the city, or selectmen of the town, as well as the officers of the Post of the Grand Army, if there be one. The applicant then, before he is permanently received, is examined by the surgeon and the committee on permanent applications. So that the trustees and superintendent have great reason to congratulate themselves that so few of those admitted have proven themselves unworthy the care and attention bestowed upon them. But in every instance where a mistake has been made all have been ready to rectify them, and they have not been allowed to continue. The inmates of the home are all uniformed with the infantry pants, blouse and cap, and are provided with everything to make them happy, even to the soldiers' greatest luxury, pipes and tobacco.

To every man is issued a clean towel every morning, and he is expected to take a bath once each week. Each comrade has a bed to himself, with springs and hair mattress to each bed, with three good wholesome meals each day in the week. The Home is open to visitors every day in the week except Sundays, and the trustees would be pleased to have all who are interested in the work it is doing visit it; very many have availed themselves of the privilege, so that on nearly every pleasant day there are from ten to twenty visitors. Quite a number of the Posts have spent an evening there, coming in a body and bringing with them music, vocal and instrumental, thus furnishing amusement for the men, for which they are very grateful. Among the Posts visiting have been Posts 11 and 149 of Charlestown; Posts 40 of Malden, 35 of Chelsea and 5 of Lynn; each bringing something with them to cheer and comfort the men.

The Ladies' Aid Society have been of great benefit to the Home. At the time of its opening they bought all the white quilts for the beds, made the sheets, pillow-cases, and towels, besides furnishing forty large quilts, providing the money for a temporary stage and scenery, and completing a bookcase for the books and reading matter that have been donated to the Home.

They hold their monthly meetings at the Home and have a committee who visit the home weekly, arrange for the Sunday service, and provide very many articles of luxury and comfort to the comrades in the hospital. Religious services have been held at least once every Sabbath since the opening of the Home.

Of the physical condition of the men, but few of them are able to perform manual labor; indeed, at times since winter

began, it has been difficult to find those who could attend to the necessary labor around the premises.

Thirty-two of those who are at the Home to-day, quite one third, are suffering from paralysis in some form, so that the idea held by some when the institution was first opened, that the inmates might after they became well established produce something by their labor, has proven a delusive one, and experience has thus far taught that as the Home continues, the men admitted will be less able to care for themselves and more in need of the assistance of others.

The location of the Home and the fact of its being built for a summer residence or hotel were by some thought at the time of its purchase to be an unfortunate situation for winter quarters. How often the observation was made that those who were obliged to occupy the Home in winter would certainly suffer from cold! The experience has been that with burning considerably less than one ton of coal per day, and with an average of about eight pounds of steam, and at times barely enough pressure to force the steam through the pipes, the difficulty, if any, has been to keep it cool enough, even though the mercury on the outside was near the point of zero, and this with the use of but two boilers and the third one standing idle. The expense of running the Home, including salaries and all necessary expenses, as well as clothing the men, amounts to \$3.30 per man per week, — or \$176.60 per year, — comparing, as we think, exceedingly favorably with other institutions of the State. Some donations are still coming in from friends of the Home, for which the trustees are very grateful and return to them their sincere thanks. The market-men in Faneuil Hall Market sent the inmates a grand Thanksgiving dinner, which made their hearts glad for that day and others which followed; again the trustees are in receipt of a check through Post 30 of Cambridge, from J. Warren Merrill, Esq., of that city, for \$1000, all of which are received with many thanks from the comrades of the Home and the Board of Trustees. Thus I have given you a brief statement of facts in regard to the Home and its management, and in my opinion no mistake was made by the trustees in the selection of a superintendent and matron. They are the right parties in the right place. So that the Home is now in good working condition, while the trustees have still on hand, after paying all expenses to date, the sum of \$240.00. But this will not always last, and it behooves the friends of the Home to look around and ask the question, From what source shall come our future supplies?

In regard to this, Commander and comrades, I have faith; faith in the justness of our cause; faith to believe in a Christian public, that these men shall never be returned to a pauper's home; faith in the business men of our beloved State; faith in you, —

you men and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic;—faith in the legislature of our good old Commonwealth that the men who saved the nation in its emergency shall be sheltered in this Home and cared for,—this “beautiful home,” prepared by the ladies and gentlemen of the State and Grand Army of the Republic,—so that these beloved comrades of ours, many of them maimed and disfigured for life, shall as they pass away, one after another, never to return to us, shower blessings of peace and good will upon every cheerful giver. And when their poor mutilated bodies shall be carried from the Home wrapped in the flag of our country, and each be laid away by tender hands beside his fellows, then shall we, his comrades who are left behind, sing together the anthem of peace to Him who hath redeemed us; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever, and the whole angelic hosts shall take up the refrain amid their loud hosannas, and point to earth and say, These men saved the nation! This is the nation’s gratitude!

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

JOHN W. LEE,
Chaplain.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

GEO. H. PATCH, *Department Commander.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following as the Report of the Medical Director of this Department for the past year. I may be pardoned, I believe, for availing myself of the earliest opportunity these opening lines afford to return my most sincere and grateful thanks for the exceptionally kind and considerate manner in which the distinguished honor which this Encampment two years ago conferred upon me was again given me a year since, when severe illness prevented my presence.

The assurances of fraternal regard and sympathy then so delightfully expressed have been, and I trust will ever be, incentives to increased fidelity and love.

Due regard to military proprieties and my own deep sense of obligation compel me to acknowledge here also that most generous advocacy of the delegates of this Department in the last National Encampment, the result of which places me in an anomalous position, that of appearing as the Medical Director of this Department, while honored with the office of Surgeon-General. The resignation of the former office, promptly forwarded,

having at the hands of yourself and the Council been dealt with in that same generous kindness so long and so freely shown me, nothing has remained for me but to continue to occupy in name, at least, the position of Chief Medical Officer of this Department.

The abolition of Form "F" by the National Encampment has reduced the routine duties of the medical staff to the minimum, and were it not that the Surgeons of Posts and the Medical Director found a range of fraternal opportunity outside the line now prescribed by regulations, their offices might be discontinued except as it may be desirable to meet military form.

I can but count it matter for great regret that something of the business-like zeal of these later days in the Grand Army had not fallen upon its earlier years, and that that care for full records and complete returns which now marks us had not been maintained, especially in the Medical Department. It is not too much to say to assert that had the present exactness of the Adjutant-General's office been observed in the medical records of Posts and Departments from the early days of organization, they would have become and would today be simply invaluable.

The opportunity is past, and can only serve now as a mentor to those of us who may live to see another war, and growing out of it the same experiences that have arisen from this, to impress upon those who, coming after us, shall have its conduct, the necessity of preserving with minute care every record of the soldier's life. I have, however, to express the hope that it may be thought worth while to call the attention of Post Commanders and Adjutants and Surgeons to the opportunity that still exists to save very much that may yet be of value by the most complete bringing up possible of their records and the authenticated history of comrades for future reference. It has occurred to me that whenever the descriptive list of a comrade is filled out in a Post it might be of great value for the comrade to present all his official military papers, proving the record the list becomes, and that in such case it would be of lasting value if the Adjutant against each such record should certify, on oath, that he had made this record from original official papers seen by him.

It is a most distinguished mark of honor and of the confidence reposed in the Grand Army that its records and the testimony of its officers are recorded as evidence in the adjudication of pension and similar claims as are no other, but it goes without saying that the more full and accurate its records, the sounder and surer will the exercise of that confidence be.

I have intimated that the Post Surgeons and Medical Director are not without occupation, although their prescribed duties have been somewhat lessened. The large-hearted, active Surgeon of a Post, especially if he be — as I believe, when at all possible, he always should be — a physician, is, nine cases in ten, the com-

rade to whose ears comes first the knowledge of want or woe. I am satisfied that it would be well if the Post Surgeon were always a member of the Relief Committee.

To him, even before the spiritual adviser, are the suffering and distress among comrades confided; and it is, I believe, a rule that those delicate confidences that are intrusted to no other are made his perhaps because of the facts that it is seen that to his eye much is apparent otherwise hidden, and that from his advice relief must often come. It thus happens that in that work of charity, which is so great and so fundamental a part of our Order, the Surgeon becomes, by the logic of events, a prime factor, an invaluable aid, and it is to him that, in matters of State and military aid, of pensions, and of the matters of burial, comrades and their families naturally so often turn.

I believe I should be borne out by the solid testimony of Post Surgeons and Medical Directors in all the Departments in the assertion that in the work attendant on the settlement of pensions they have numerous and multiform calls for their best endeavors in aid of the pension cases of comrades or their widows and orphans, and from their usual relations of more or less influence with those in authority, they are, I believe, able to render material assistance. My own experience leads me to infer that the medical staff of the Grand Army has thus been able to do, and is today doing, a work for the deserving soldier not easily equalled otherwise, and of equal value with the more definite duty assigned it by rules and regulations. No officers are less likely to be deceived, and hence none are more valuable in doing that proper work of guarding the government against fraud and wrong-doing. The Grand Army owes it to itself to aid the government in preventing all impositions upon it in its endeavor to do justice and meet its obligations to its defenders. I am clearly of the opinion that the government has made no mistake in what seems its large provisions for disabled soldiers and sailors.

That they have started the wheels of industry, distributed means to men needing only this help to help themselves, and brought comfort to the widow and orphan, and calmed the dying hours of many a stricken veteran, every village and hamlet can testify. With a surplus revenue of one hundred and fifty million dollars a year, with its paper certificates at par with gold, with its revenues rolling higher and higher all over the land, from the fast developing resources of a country first saved, and then made great by the earnest purpose, fidelity and thrift of its citizen soldiers, I do not fear that the liberality of the government has done or will do harm. The Commissioner of Pensions rightfully expects the Grand Army to aid him, both in rightfully establishing the claims of those the country has provided for, and in

preventing the designs of those who have no desert. The action of the National Encampment in aid of the speedy and equitable adjudication of pensions has already borne abundant fruit. That this Department has been able, by its double representation upon the committee in charge thereof, to add something to the result, I believe is a matter of congratulation. With the hope that the largest Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty may continue for the future, as for the past, to mark the history of this Department, with the most sincere concern for the well-being of all its comrades, and with the greatest esteem for yourself, and my cordial acknowledgment of your many acts of kindness to me throughout our entire official and personal intercourse, I am

Faithfully yours in F., C. and L.,

AZEL AMES, JR.,
Medical Director.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1883.

Comrades: The Council of Administration, in submitting their report to the Convention, find but little to add to the very interesting address of the Commander and the concise reports of the several Department officers. They will, however, report that they have, during the year, held four meetings, and attended to all the duties assigned them. They have, with the assistance of the personal Staff of the Commander, twice visited the Posts of the Department, and, as far as possible, become acquainted with the conditions of the Order in the different sections of the Department; and it is certainly pleasing to all to find that there is much enthusiasm and a strong determination among all the comrades to promote the welfare of our organization.

During the year there have been 10 new Posts organized, and its membership increased by an addition of 2,161 comrades, making a total of 12,413 members.

In addition to our other duties, the Council have audited the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant-General and the Assistant Quartermaster-General, and report that the books are correctly and systematically kept, and the Department, financially, is in a healthy condition.

At the last report there was a cash balance on hand of \$33.17. There has been received during the year, from all sources, \$6,078.94; and there has been expended, as per vouchers, \$5,813.86; leaving a balance, Dec. 31, 1882, of \$298.25.

The Council have no recommendations to suggest, but feel it their duty to tender to you, Commander, and the members of

your official and personal Staff, our grateful acknowledgments for the uniform courtesy manifested towards us during the year just closed.

All of which we most respectfully submit.

W. A. SLOANE,
WM. S. BROWN,
CHAS. H. PARSONS,
WILLIAM S. FROST,
M. P. PALMER,

Council of Administration.

The reports of all the Department officers having been presented, it was voted, on motion of Comrade F. H. Buffum of Post 139, that the reports be accepted and placed on file, and that the recommendations in the address of the Department Commander, and the reports of the several officers and the Council of Administration be referred to a special committee of five, to be appointed by the Commander; and the following committee was appointed, viz.: —

F. H. Buffum of Post 139, Geo. W. Powers of Post 15; A. C. Belcher of Post 32, J. Frank Dalton of Post 34, C. H. Tracy of Post 103.

Comrade Meehan of Post 7 moved that a committee of eleven be appointed to report a list for Council of Administration. [Carried.]

Comrade John S. Beck of Post 66 moved a reconsideration of the above vote. After some discussion, the motion was carried by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 104.

Medical Director Azel Ames, Jr., then moved that a committee of eleven be appointed by the Commander to report a list of Delegates and Alternates to National Encampment, and a committee of five to report a list to serve on Council of Administration. The motion was adopted, and the Commander appointed the following committees: —

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES.

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| Azel Ames, Jr. . . . | Post 12 | James Cuthbert . . . | Post 19 |
| Geo. S. Merrill . . . | " 39 | S. M. Weale . . . | " 23 |
| John L. Parker . . . | " 5 | G. T. Fisher . . . | " 3 |
| James O. Smith . . . | " 16 | O. H. Ingalls . . . | " 60 |
| Frank McGraw . . . | " 46 | Wm. H. Wade . . . | " 133 |
| B. S. Lovell . . . | " 58 | | |

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| Dennis Meehan . . . | Post 7 | S. A. Cushing, Jr. . . | Post 68 |
| Joseph Gregory . . . | “ 82 | J. B. Lamb . . . | “ 10 |
| Horace J. Gray . . . | “ 30 | | |

Comrade J. G. B. Adams moved that Commander Linehan of Post 15 be granted leave to present resolutions, which were read by the Assistant Adjutant-General, and that they be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, when the same shall have been appointed.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that when we adjourn it be to meet at Tremont Temple at 9 o'clock, Tuesday, January 30.

Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Dervoort of Omaha, Neb., being introduced, made an eloquent address. Remarks were also made by Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief I. S. Bangs, Waterville, Maine; Adjutant-General Frank E. Brown, Omaha, Neb.; and Comrade Williams, Past Judge Advocate, Department of Ohio. The Commander appointed the following Committee on Resolutions:—

Dennis Linehan of Post 15; J. G. B. Adams of Post 5; H. T. Holmes of Post 35; Philip Creasey of Post 49; E. P. Morton of Post 61.

No other business being presented, the Encampment adjourned at 10.55 P.M. until 9 o'clock, January 30.

TREMONT TEMPLE, 9 A.M., BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1883.

The hour to which the Encampment adjourned having arrived, Commander Patch called to order, and after prayer by Department Chaplain Lee the Encampment was declared open for business, and the roll was called for

COMMUNICATIONS FROM POSTS.

Comrade John S. Beck of Post 66 offered a resolution.
[Referred to Committee on Resolutions.]

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows:—

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 437 |
| Number of comrades present | 383 |

Divided as follows:—

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| Department officers | 15 |
| Past Department officers | 5 |
| Post Commanders | 130 |
| Delegates | 233 |
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| Total | 383 |

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that an informal ballot for Department Commander be taken at 10 o'clock and a formal ballot at 11 o'clock. Comrade J. H. Quinn of Post 42 moved to amend as follows: The informal ballot to take effect at once and the formal ballot at 10.30. [Carried.]

Assistant Quartermaster-General Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66 moved that a committee of five be appointed to receive, sort and count votes for Department Commander. The following committee was appointed:—

Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66; C. O. Fellows of Post 35; J. H. Quinn of Post 42; C. B. Fox of Post 68; W. C. Pomeroy of Post 86.

Proceeded to ballot.

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| Whole number of votes cast | 367 |
| Necessary for a choice | 185 |
| Henry M. Phillips, Post 16, had | 132 |
| Wm. H. Hart, " 35, " | 113 |
| George S. Evans, " 30, " | 107 |
| Wm. M. Olin, " 26, " | 5 |
| Geo. L. Goodale, " 66, " | 4 |
| Scattering | 6 |

Comrade A. N. Sampson of Post 113 moved that the vote on time for formal ballot be extended. Commander Chas. F. King of Post 139 moved the ballot be taken in fifteen minutes.

J. Frank Dalton moved to substitute for the above to take formal ballot at once. [Carried.]

Nominations being in order, Comrade J. W. Hersey of Post 16 presented the name of Henry M. Phillips of Post 16, Springfield; Comrade F. H. Buffum of Post 139 presented the name of Senior Vice-Commander Wm. H. Hart of Post 35, Chelsea; Comrade E. G. W. Cartwright of Post 47, Haverhill, nominated Comrade Geo. S. Evans of Post 30, Cambridge, seconded by Comrade Thos. H. Hill of Post 33, Woburn.

On motion of Comrade Dennis Meehan of Post 7, Boston, it was voted that the Assistant Adjutant-General call the roll, and delegations step to the front of the platform and vote as they are called.

Proceeded to ballot.

On motion of Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 142 it was voted that a committee of five be appointed to receive, sort and count votes for Senior Vice-Commander.

On motion of Comrade Dennis Meehan of Post 7 it was voted to lay above on table, pending the counting of the ballots for Commander.

Comrade F. H. Buffum of Post 139 presented the following report for Committee on Address of Department Commander and other officers: —

Your committee, to which was referred the address of the Commander, has attended to the duty assigned it and respectfully presents the following report: —

Concerning the approval which the address gives to the custom of some Posts on Memorial Day, of "assembling in a quiet way" . . . going to the cemeteries . . . then dismissing, etc., and subsequently holding a public service in some hall in the evening, —

The committee endorses so much of the suggestion as refers to holding a public service on the evening of Memorial Day and earnestly recommends the general adoption of the practice. So far as the address may approve of dispensing with the parade on Memorial Day, the committee cannot endorse it. The public demonstration on that day in military parade is one of the most emphatic tributes which the veteran can render to his fallen comrades.

Concerning the recommendation in the address for a Memorial Service in some church, on the Sabbath previous to Memorial Day, —

Cordially approved and recommended.

That the report of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home be presented to the Annual Encampment, —

Recommended.

Disapproving Annual Encampment, —

Approved.

Concerning the remark contained in the address, *i.e.*, "I am of the opinion that the day for parades and camps of the Grand Army are past. Disguise it as we may, the fact is the men are too old to endure the tramp, etc." —

Your committee cannot endorse these sentiments, and recommend that no action be taken which shall discountenance or in any way tend to check public parades of the G.A.R.

On the recommendation that "worthy soldiers, not members of the Order, be invited to attend the meetings when visitations are made," —

The committee recommend that caution be exercised, and that the matter be left to each Post.

Concerning the remark in the address doubting the good results of Encampments under canvas, —

Your committee recommends the adoption of the suggestion.

Your committee earnestly commends the recommendation of the address relating to the division of the Committee on Nomination, in the interest of securing a full delegation to the National Encampment.

Your committee believes the suggestions in the address relative to the Woman's Relief Corps should be generally regarded, and that the said Auxiliary Corps should receive the cordial support of the G.A.R.

The committee is of the opinion that the suggestions concerning a publication of the reports of Annual Encampments should be acted upon and carried out without delay.

Concerning the recommendation that the delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to advocate the change in Article VIII., Chapter II., of the By-Laws, which refers to dropping the names of candidates after the second ballot, —

The committee cannot approve the same, and recommend that no such action be taken.

Concerning the recommendation relative to the rule regulating the question of arrearages that the word "may" be substituted for "shall" in the action of the Posts dropping members when six months in arrears, —

The committee considers that the recommendation should be carried out.

Your committee approves the recommendations of the address relative to transfers and reports in favor of instructing the delegates to the National Encampment to advocate the changes recommended.

Your committee calls the attention of the Encampment to the omission in the address of the services of Judge Advocate Loring and two members of the Department Staff.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

F. H. BUFFUM,
For the Committee.

During the reading of the foregoing report, the Committee on Ballot for Department Commander reported as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 381 |
| Necessary for a choice | 191 |
| Wm. H. Hart, Post 35, Chelsea, had . . | 130 |
| Geo. S. Evans, " 30, Cambridge, " . . | 128 |
| H. M. Phillips, " 16, Springfield, " . . | 123 |

There being no choice, proceeded to a second ballot for Department Commander.

Commander Linehan of Post 15, Boston, chairman Committee on Resolutions, reported as follows:—

Resolution 1. Leave to withdraw.

ALPHA HALL, NO. 18 ESSEX STREET,
BOSTON, Jan. 26, 1883.

Resolved, That the delegates of this Post to the Department Convention present the following communication to the Convention:—

Commander and Comrades: An appeal from the decision of the National Commander, declining jurisdiction, was made by Post 15 to the last National Encampment; that appeal was referred by the Encampment to the incoming Commander. This Post has received no decision and now asks this Department what steps they shall take to secure a decision in a matter they consider of importance to all Grand Army Posts.

DENNIS LINEHAN, *Commander.*

E. F. ROLLINS, *Adjutant.*

Resolution 2. Referred to National Encampment.

ALPHA HALL, NO. 18 ESSEX STREET,
BOSTON, Jan. 26, 1883.

Resolved, That the delegates from this Department to the next National Encampment urge the amendment of the Rules and Regulations so that Posts shall not be required to reobligate former members upon reinstatement.

DENNIS LINEHAN, *Commander.*

E. F. ROLLINS, *Adjutant.*

Resolution 3. Adopted.

ALPHA HALL, NO. 18 ESSEX STREET,
BOSTON, Jan. 26, 1883.

Resolved, That Post 15 earnestly protests against the unofficial publication by comrades of private Grand Army matters in the public prints as being contrary to the Ritual and to the obligation every comrade has assumed; and that this Department take the necessary caution to prevent its recurrence in the future.

E. F. ROLLINS, *Adjutant*.

DENNIS LINEHAN, *Commander*.

Resolution adopted by Post 66.

Resolved, That the Delegates to National Encampment secure such changes in our installation service as will be more satisfactory to the Order.

JOHN S. BECK, *Commander*
DENNIS LINEHAN,
J. G. B. ADAMS,
E. P. MORTON,
P. H. CREASEY,
HENRY T. HOLMES,
Committee,

Committee on Ballot for Department Commander reported as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 365 |
| Necessary for a choice | 183 |
| Wm. H. Hart, Post 35, Chelsea, had . . . | 148 |
| Geo. S. Evans, " 30, Cambridge, " . . . | 126 |
| H. M. Phillips, " 16, Springfield, " . . . | 91 |

There being no choice, proceeded to a third ballot for Department Commander.

Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 142 moved the question in regard to appointing a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Senior Vice-Commander be taken from the table. [Carried.]

The Commander appointed the following committee:—

E. P. Simpson of Post 142; R. J. Hamilton of Post 16;
P. Allen Lindsey of Post 30; M. H. Heathcote of Post 34;
J. F. Capelle of Post 57.

The Committee on Ballot for Department Commander reported as follows, viz. : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 359 |
| Necessary for a choice | 180 |
| Geo. S. Evans, Post 30, Cambridge, had | 193 |
| Wm. H. Hart, " 35, Chelsea, " | 165 |
| J. D. Billings, " 94, Canton, " | 1 |

And Comradé George S. Evans of Post 30, Cambridge, was declared elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

A ballot was at once ordered for Senior Vice-Commander. After all had voted and the committee had retired, Comrade Wm. H. Hart of Post 35, Chelsea, moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon Comrade Geo. S. Evans and introduce him to the Encampment. Commander Fellows of Post 35, Wm. H. Hart of Post 35, and John W. Lee of Post 12 were appointed. The committee retired and in their absence the Committee on Ballot for Senior Vice-Commander reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 414 |
| Necessary for a choice | 208 |
| J. D. Billings, Post 94, Canton, had | 257 |
| C. M. Whelden, " 125, Pittsfield, " | 149 |
| Scattering | 8 |

And Comrade John D. Billings of Post 94, Canton, was declared elected Senior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year.

The committee appointed to wait upon Comrade Evans escorted him to the platform, and he was duly presented to the Encampment, and in a short, earnest speech accepted the position, thanked the comrades for their confidence, and promised to devote one-half of his time to the work of the Order, and announced to the Encampment that he had appointed Comrade Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton, his Assistant Adjutant-General.

Nominations for Department Junior Vice-Commander being in order, Commander Geo. C. Joslin of Post 2, South Boston, nominated Comrade H. A. Sawyer of Post 5, Lynn, seconded by John L. Parker of Post 5. Comrade John W. Hersey of Post 16, Springfield, nominated Comrade William A. Sloane of Post 37, Spencer.

Proceeded to a ballot while the committee were out counting.

Comrade George H. Patch moved, and it was voted, that a despatch be sent to Past Department Commander Horace Binney Sargent.

The Committee on Ballot for Department Junior Vice-Commander reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 318 |
| Necessary for a choice | 160 |
| William A. Sloane, Post 37, Spencer, had | 245 |
| Horace A. Sawyer, “ 5, Lynn, “ | 65 |
| Scattering | 8 |

The Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed by a unanimous vote to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade James H. Wright of Post 63, Natick, for Medical Director, and Comrade John W. Lee of Post 12, Wakefield, for Chaplain of the Department for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed, and the comrades named were declared elected.

Comrade Dennis Meehan of Post 7, Boston, for the committee appointed to nominate five comrades to serve on the Council of Administration, reported a complete list, which was read, and then moved the Assistant Adjutant-General deposit one ballot bearing the names as reported by the committee. There was no objection; the ballot was cast as directed, and the following comrades were declared elected, viz. : —

FOR COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| Charles H. Parsons | Post 45, Gloucester |
| W. W. Scott | “ 10, Worcester |
| Richard F. Tobin | “ 30, South Boston |
| J. Cushing Thomas | “ 15, Boston |
| Benj. Pitman | “ 82, Marblehead |

Comrade Geo. S. Merrill of Post 39, for the committee appointed to prepare a list of delegates and alternates to National Encampment, reported a complete list, which was read, and he then moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General deposit one ballot bearing the names as reported by the committee. There was no

objection; the ballot was cast as directed, and the following comrades were declared elected, viz.: —

REPRESENTATIVES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

James F. Meech Post 10, Worcester.

DELEGATES.

Wm. H. Hart Post 35, Chelsea
 Wm. M. Olin " 26, Boston
 Andrew C. Stone " 39, Lawrence
 Chas. S. Anthony " 3, Taunton
 Thos. J. Ames " 53, Leominster
 W. H. H. Emmons " 23, East Boston
 Hartwell S. French " 5, Lynn
 Chas. M. Whelden " 125, Pittsfield
 W. S. Frost " 43, Marlboro
 C. H. Coburn " 120, Lowell
 Thos. H. Hill " 33, Woburn
 J. Payson Bradley " 2, South Boston

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

M. R. Greeley Post 58, Weymouth

ALTERNATES.

Andrew F. Smith Post 1, New Bedford
 A. A. Seaverns " 31, North Scituate
 Geo. G. Bailey " 121, Hyde Park
 E. S. Horton " 145, Attleboro
 G. H. Smith " 71, Holyoke
 E. C. Spofford " 50, Peabody
 Philip H. Creasey " 49, Newburyport
 A. B. Wentworth " 144, Dedham
 Myron P. Walker " 97, Belchertown
 Benj. A. Hathaway " 76, Plymouth
 Geo. W. Nason " 60, Franklin
 Geo. W. Powers " 15, Boston

Comrade Adams moved, and it was voted, that the incoming Council of Administration purchase a suitable testimonial, not to

exceed seventy-five dollars, and present it to Comrade James F. Meech, the efficient Assistant Adjutant-General, for his faithful labors in the interest of our organization for the past seven years.

The usual vote of thanks to the retiring officers was passed, and upon a call for business there was none presented.

Past Department Commander Austin S. Cushman then installed the following officers: Commander, Geo. S. Evans; Senior Vice-Commander, John D. Billings; Junior Vice-Commander, Wm. A. Sloane; Medical Director, James H. Wright; Chaplain, John W. Lee; Assistant Adjutant-General, A. C. Monroe; Comrades Chas. H. Parsons, Benj. Pitman, R. F. Tobin, and J. C. Thomas of the Council of Administration.

Upon a second call for business, and none being presented, the Encampment dissolved at 3 P.M.

A true account of the proceedings.

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL ORDERS AND CIRCULAR LETTERS.

SERIES OF 1882.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Feb. 2, 1882.

I. Having been elected Commander of this Department, I accept the honor conferred upon me and assume the duties of the office.

Realizing fully the responsibilities, and the inability of my unaided efforts to carry forward the work of the Order, I call upon all comrades to join in the upbuilding of the Grand Army in our Commonwealth.

The results of the past year should be a stimulus to renewed efforts, and a determination on the part of comrades to enlarge the membership of their own Posts, will increase the aggregate number of our Department, and add to the efficiency of the Order.

No good reason exists why every ex-soldier or sailor should not associate with us in the prosecution of our work of Charity, in advancing the sentiment of Fraternity, and in cultivating the principle of Loyalty, which is the foundation upon which our Republic rests.

Much, of course, depends upon the earnestness and activity of those who hold positions of responsibility, but every comrade, however humble, can do something to promote the good work, and if in everything pertaining to the Grand Army we lay aside all motives of ambition and personal feeling and make everything subordinate to the welfare of the Order, we shall be rewarded with success and be prouder than ever of our connection with the Grand Army of the Republic.

II. I desire to express the appreciation of this Department to comrade E. T. Raymond of Post 10, Worcester, who for the past six (6) years has ably filled the position of Assistant Quartermaster-General. The duties of civil life compelled him to decline a reappointment under the new administration, and in behalf of the comrades of the Department, I tender to Comrade Raymond their grateful thanks for past services, and the most sincere wishes for his future success and prosperity.

III. The following comrades are announced as the Official Staff of the Commander; they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Assistant Adjutant-General, James F. Meech of Post 10, Worcester.
Assistant Quartermaster-General, George L. Goodale of Post 66, Medford.

Inspector, William L. Baird of Post 5, Lynn.

Judge Advocate, E. B. Loring of Post 15, Boston.

Chief Mustering Officer, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

IV. All official correspondence must be signed by Post Commanders and addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General, whose office hours will

remain as heretofore, viz., from 10 to 12 and 2 to 4 daily, except Sundays and Saturday afternoons, when the office will be closed.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

BOSTON, March 25, 1882.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 2. }

I. A list of the officers elected at the Annual Encampment of this Department held at Boston, January 30 and 31, appears in the Roster accompanying this Order. Two Rosters are forwarded to each Post, one to be filed with General Orders, the other is for the use of the Post Commander.

II. The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

AIDES-DE-CAMP

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| E. P. Simpson . . . | So. Framingham. | E. P. Gibbs . . . | Hudson. |
| A. M. Tilton . . . | Haverhill. | M. J. Ferrin . . . | Stoneham. |
| P. Allen Lindsay . . . | Cambridgeport. | George Pierce . . . | Shelburne Falls. |
| E. P. Connig . . . | Fitchburg. | T. M. Remington . . . | Worcester. |
| Benj. Pitman . . . | Marblehead. | Theodore Leutz . . . | Boston. |
| C. O. Fellows . . . | Chelsea. | H. A. Sawyer . . . | Lynn. |
| Philip H. Creasey . . . | Newburyport. | Louis J. Elwell . . . | Westboro. |
| Leonard E. Thayer . . . | Oxford. | J. A. Black . . . | Spencer. |
| Charles Newhall . . . | Danvers. | Samuel A. Cushing Jr. . . | Dorchester. |
| Willard Y. Gross . . . | Brookline. | Josiah G. Cook . . . | No. Hanson. |
| Timothy S. Atwood . . . | Abington. | William H. Thomas . . . | Hingham Centre. |
| Frederick G. Pope . . . | So. Boston. | Alfred B. Hodges . . . | Taunton. |
| M. O. Wheaton . . . | Attleboro. | Fred J. Lyon . . . | Springfield. |
| George E. Teele . . . | Watertown. | Frederick Grant . . . | Salem. |

III. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for first (1st) quarter will be due April 1, and it is important that they should be forwarded promptly. * Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that they should confer not only regarding the number reported last quarter, but account for the gains and losses, and give the names as called for in the recapitulation of muster roll, and notes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Care should be exercised that the *number remaining in good standing* in form A and the number paid for on form B shall agree. Post Commanders will see that all requirements are complied with, and after signing *both reports*, forward the same, together with the *per capita* tax (8 cents per member), to these Headquarters.

IV. At the first meeting of the Council of Administration held early in February, it was unanimously "voted that, in the opinion of the Council of Administration, it is not expedient to try the experiment of an Encampment of the Department this year."

V. Attention of Posts is invited to the accompanying circular relative to the proposed monument to General James A. Garfield, late President

of the United States, to be erected by his late comrades in arms. Any contributions to the fund may be forwarded to Department Headquarters, and will be duly credited, and the result published in General Orders at a later date.

VI. The following Posts have been organized since the Department Encampment:—

W. W. ROCKWELL POST 125, Pittsfield, Byron Weston, Commander.
 JAMES H. SARGENT POST 130, Medway, A. W. Barton, Commander.
 CHARLES CHIPMAN POST 132, Sandwich, S. Wills Hunt, Commander.
 HUBBARD V. SMITH POST 140, Athol, W. E. Jaquith, Commander.
 FRANK D. HAMMOND POST 141, Harwich, Geo. M. Munsell, Commander.

VII. The address of any member of Company I, 2d Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, who served in that command while stationed at Auburn, New York, during the winter of 1864-5, is desired at these headquarters.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No 3. }

BOSTON, April 19, 1882.

I. In order to bring comrades and Posts into more intimate relations with Department Headquarters and at the same time enable the Commander to ascertain the condition and needs of the several Posts, the following officers are hereby detailed to visit the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:

William H. Hart, Department Senior Vice-Commander 68, 149
 John D. Billings, Department Junior Vice-Commander, 10, 21, 26, 56,
 57, 143
 Azel Ames, Jr., Medical Director 33, 42, 75
 George L. Goodale, Assistant Quartermaster-General 13, 36, 120
 William L. Baird, Inspector 34, 82, 95, 118
 E. B. Loring, Judge Advocate 2, 58, 104, 113
 A. C. Monroe, Chief Mustering Officer, 20, 52, 73, 76, 78, 87, 93, 132, 141

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

William A. Sloane 16, 38, 65, 97, 103, 107
 William S. Frost 9, 44, 80, 96
 William S. Brown 7, 30, 88
 Charles H. Parsons 67, 106

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

E. P. Simpson 62, 81, 117
 E. P. Gibbs 19, 28, 29, 43, 54, 64, 77, 86, 98, 136
 A. M. Tilton 39, 49, 100, 101
 M. J. Ferrin 40, 66, 119, 148
 P. Allen Lindsey 15, 23, 134, 139
 Geo. R. Pierce 17, 79, 123, 126, 140

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| I P. Connig | 48, 53, 59, 69, 109, 115, 116 |
| T. M. Remington | 24, 25, 70 |
| Benj. Pitman | 45 |
| C. O. Fellows | 4, 5 |
| H. A. Sawyer | 11, 35, 50, 90 |
| P. H. Creasey | 47, 108, 114, 122, 128, 151 |
| L. J. Elwell | 6, 78, 22, 105, 135 |
| L. E. Thayer | 37, 61 |
| J. A. Black | 27, 51, 85, 131 |
| Chas. Newhall | 12, 89, 99 |
| S. A. Cushing, Jr. | 32, 60, 102, 130 |
| Willard Y. Gross | 94, 121, 144 |
| T. S. Atwood | 74, 83, 110, 111, 124, 127 |
| Wm H. Thomas | 31, 112 |
| Alfred B. Hodges | 1, 8, 46, 145, 146 |
| M. O. Wheaton. | 3, 55, 72, 91 |
| Fred J. Lyon | 41, 71, 84, 125 |
| Geo E. Teele | 63, 92, 142 |

These visits are for instruction and information and as it is important that they should be made as soon as possible, it may be necessary to call special meetings of Posts in some instances, therefore Commanders of Posts will govern themselves accordingly. Posts will be expected to exemplify the work of the Order including muster-in. The traveling expenses will be assumed by the several officers named, therefore it is expected that all local expense will be paid by the Post visited.

A report of these visits will be made at once to these headquarters on the blanks provided for that purpose.

II. Badges that may be wanted previous to May 30 should be ordered *at once* and comrades should remember that they can *only* be supplied through their Post Quartermaster. All supplies must be paid for when ordered or they will be sent C.O.D. at expense of Post. Small orders, viz , less than \$1.00, may be prepaid with postage stamps.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

BOSTON, May 1, 1882

In accordance with the provisions of Rules and Regulations, and in compliance with General Orders No. 15, from National Headquarters, Tuesday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day.

Memorial Day belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic, for it commemorates all that was grand and noble in the sacrifices made by our comrades who died that the Nation might live. By act of the Legislature it has been given as a sacred legacy to the present and future generations of our own loved Commonwealth. Let us then, citizen and comrade, unite on that day, in paying tribute to the men who on the gundecks of our navy, or in the ranks of our army, showed to the world a heroism unequalled, a patriotic spirit undaunted and a record unsullied.

We are an army to whom no recruits can come. Only veterans can join the Grand Army. The resistless artillery of time steadily decimates

our ranks, and day by day we grow fewer and weaker. But as we stand shoulder to shoulder treasuring in our Fraternity a wealth of grand memories of those we commemorate, let us believe that the comradeship that binds us to them in a great and noble cause is not wholly severed. Their task is done. Their solemn obligation, which we took in unison with them, has been fulfilled. But life brings for us each day new responsibilities and new duties. They have laid aside their armor; we must bear the heat and the burden of the day for a time; and as they, true to duty, to country and to God, faltered not where duty lead them, so let us, in the Grand Army of the Republic, fulfill all the obligations we have assumed. And when

On fame's eternal camping ground
Our silent tents are spread,

and our names have been added to the silent majority, we shall not have lived in vain. And in the active and present work of our Order we shall find our Fraternity broader, our Charity purer, and our Loyalty more devoted.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

BOSTON, June 30, 1882.

I. General Orders No. 17 and 18, old series, and No. 1, new series, from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated. Special attention is called to the paragraphs in No. 1 relative to recruiting.

II. A new National countersign is hereby forwarded, and Commanders of Posts will in no case communicate the same to any comrade who is not in good standing. The slip will be destroyed after being read.

III. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for second quarter will be due July 1, and it is important that they should be forwarded promptly. Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that they should confer not only regarding the number reported last quarter, but account for the gains and losses and give the names as called for in the Recapitulation of Muster Roll, and notes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Care should be taken that the number remaining in good standing in form A and the number paid for in form B shall agree. Post Commanders will see that all requirements are complied with, and, after signing both reports, forward the same, together with the *per capita* tax, eight (8) cents per member, to these headquarters. All Posts from whom correct reports have not been received by the 15th of July will be reported in General Orders, in compliance with instructions of National Encampment.

IV. The following additional Posts are announced, viz.:—

GEO. H. MANTIEN POST 133, Plainville, Wm. H. Wade, Commander (reorganized).

ISAAC DAVIS POST 138, West Acton, Chas W. Parker, Commander (new).

ROBERT G. SHAW POST 146, New Bedford, C. H. Harrison, Commander (reorganized).

V. The address of Geo. P. Buswell, late Corporal in Co. B, 21st Regt. Vet. Reserve Corps, who served in that command while it was stationed near Albany, N.Y., in the latter part of 1864, is wanted at this office.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT STREET, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

BOSTON, July 21, 1882.

I. General Orders No. 2, from National Headquarters, is herewith forwarded.

II. As some Post Commanders have been unable to find the solution of the cipher—countersign promulgated in last General Orders,—they are respectfully referred to page 6 of the Ritual.

III. One hundred and forty-two (142) Posts of this Department submitted correct reports to this office within the time allowed, for which they have the thanks of the Department Commander and the satisfaction of duty well performed. The remaining four (4) Posts, viz., Post 55, Taunton; Post 112, South Scituate; Post 124, East Bridgewater and Post 135, Shrewsbury, have not reported to date, and are consequently announced as in arrears for reports as per instructions. It is the earnest hope of the Commander that a repetition of this report will not be necessary.

IV. Several Department Officers have not forwarded reports of the spring visitation of Posts, and in some instances it is known at this office that such visits have not been made, and partly because of the failure of Post Commanders to arrange for proper meeting. The attention of Post Commanders as well as Department Officers is called to the importance of these visits, and prompt return of report of the same.

V. Post 14 has been reorganized with its original name and number, viz., C. C. Phillips Post 14, Hopkinton, T. N. Drawbridge, Commander.

VI. Post 86 of Maynard has surrendered its charter, and members of that Post will be transferred to Post 138, Acton.

By command of

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7. }

BOSTON, Sept. 26, 1882.

I. General Orders No. 4, and Circular, from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated.

II. A year's supply of blank Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports together with envelopes have just been forwarded to each Post Commander. Failure to receive the same will be at once reported to this office.

III. Consolidated reports from Massachusetts were the first to be received last quarter at National Headquarters, with only four (4) Posts missing. It is hoped that a better record may be made for this quarter. To that end the attention of Officers of Posts is called to paragraph III., General Orders, No. 5, from these headquarters. The announcement therein made will be strictly followed.

IV. The detail for spring visits to the Posts of this Department, as announced in General Orders, No. 3, will remain in force, and the same officers will inspect the Posts therein assigned. The necessary blanks will be at once furnished together with instructions, and it is expected that Commanders of Posts will co-operate to the fullest extent, that the inspection of every Post may be completed, and report of same on form H made to this office prior to December 1

V. The following Posts have been organized since last General Orders:—

W. L. BAKER POST 86, Northampton, W. C. Pomeroy, Commander.
SAMUEL SIBLEY POST 137, East Douglass, Geo. H. Walker, Commander.

By command of

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT ST., ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 8. }

BOSTON, Nov. 17, 1882.

I. General Orders No. 5, from National Headquarters, is herewith forwarded to this Department.

II. Comrade Alfred C. Monroe is hereby appointed Acting Assistant Adjutant-General, to date from November 1, and is detailed for duty at these headquarters. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

III. The Department Commander desires to congratulate the Order upon the substantial growth during the year, by which we have gained twelve Posts and 1770 comrades. It is hoped that this result will influence all who are interested in the prosperity of the G.A.R. to greater exertion. Especial commendation is extended to officers of Posts in this Department for the correct and prompt manner in which reports for third quarter were forwarded. The result of which was that the consolidated returns from this Department were made on time and that for every Post in the Department.

IV. Attention is called to the election of Post officers, and one delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing for third quarter—September 30—with one additional for more than one-half that number, but every Post, whatever its membership, shall be entitled to one delegate. This election must be held at the first regular meeting in December. Blanks for reporting the same will be furnished at once.

V. Commanders of Posts are requested to forward to these headquarters, prior to December 30, a report of the number of camp-fires, public meetings, fairs or other entertainments held by their respective Posts during the year.

VI. Assistant Inspectors are reminded that it is of great importance that the work of inspection should be completed as early as possible, and they are requested to report to these headquarters all Posts who fail to respond to their notice of proposed visitation.

VII. The address of 1st Serpts Manchester and Sherman, late of Co. G, 3d R I Cavalry, and Lieutenant Turner of same regiment is wanted at this office.

By command of

GEORGE H PATCH,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
53 TREMONT ST, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 9. }

BOSTON, Dec. 11, 1882.

I. The order announcing mustering officers will be issued on or about December 20, and the chief will be governed by the wishes of the Posts in their selection when practicable. Recommendations must be received previous to the above date, and in no case will an assignment be made unless the Post or its representative so designates.

II. At the coming session of the Department Encampment, which will be held in this city about January 30, or February 1, the presence of the Commander-in-Chief and several other officers of the National Encampment is assured, and it has been proposed to have a banquet during or at the close of the meeting. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are desired to send immediately to this office on the enclosed card the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the above entertainment, at an expense not to exceed \$1.00.

III. Officers and comrades of Posts should bear in mind that the increase of membership is of the utmost importance, and to that end the enclosed missionary circulars are forwarded; copies of this circular will be furnished in any quantities free to Posts of this Department on application to these headquarters.

IV. Comrade E. B. Loring is hereby relieved from duty at these headquarters as Judge Advocate on the staff of the Department Commander, to date from Dec. 6, 1882.

V. Comrade E. P. Simpson, Aide-de-Camp, is hereby appointed Judge Advocate on staff of the Department Commander, to date from December 6, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

VI. The following new Post has been organized since the date of the last General Order, viz.:—

EDWIN M. STANTON POST 147, Amherst, T. W. Sloan, Commander.

By command of

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 53 TREMONT ST, ROOM 3. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 10. }

BOSTON, Dec. 27, 1882.

I. The following-named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

| | |
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| George H. Patch, Department Commander, South Framingham . . . | 40 |
| Wm. H. Hart, Department Senior Vice-Commander, Chelsea . . . | 149 |
| John D. Billings, Dept. Junior Vice-Commander, Cambridgeport, . . . | 2, 33 |
| Azel Ames, Jr., Medical Director, Wakefield | 4 |
| W. S. Frost, Council of Administration, Marlboro | 43, 80 |
| Chas. H. Parsons, Council of Administration, Gloucester | 106 |
| Geo. L. Goodale, Assistant Quartermaster-General, Boston | 5, 12, 120 |
| E. P. Simpson, Judge Advocate, South Framingham | 81 |
| A. C. Monroe, Chief Mustering Officer, Brockton | 86, 141 |
| Jas. L. Wilber, New Bedford | 1 |
| E. C. Whitney, Holliston | 6 |
| A. B. Hodges, Taunton | 8 |
| Timothy Reed, South Abington | 13 |
| John F. Bruce, Fitchburg | 19, 138 |
| H. N. Fisher, Waltham | 29 |
| Geo. O. Vinal, Scituate | 31 |
| E. B. Loring, Boston | 35 |
| Chas. E. Trow, Methuen | 39 |
| James O. Smith, Springfield | 41 |
| Edw. L. Rowe, Gloucester | 45 |
| Theodore Leutz, Boston | 50 |
| Chas. E. Gerrold, E. Boston | 63 |
| Chas. B. Fox, Dorchester | 68 |
| A. R. Holmes, Canton | 72 |
| H. H. Collamore, N. Pembroke | 74 |
| Chas. H. Leonard, Plymouth | 76 |
| Alex. W. Fulton, N. Adams | 79 |
| F. A. Wallis, Beverly | 89 |
| M. Coyle, Brighton | 92 |
| Chas. W. Wilcox, Milford | 105 |
| W. W. Blackmar, Boston | 113 |
| R. F. Boynton, Hyde Park | 121 |
| H. A. Sawyer, Lynn | 128 |
| E. S. Horton, Attleboro | 133 |
| David L. Hodges, Dedham | 144 |
| Harrie Cushman, Taunton | 3 |
| John Scates, Boston | 7 |
| J. B. Lamb, Worcester | 10 |
| Henry B. Peirce, Abington | 18 |
| Geo. R. Pierce, Shelburne Falls | 20 |
| Geo. S. Evans, Cambridge | 30, 56 |
| John W. Hart, Salem | 34 |
| F. A. Cooper, Brookfield | 38 |
| E. W. Thompson, Lowell | 42 |
| Robt. G. Sargent, Newburyport | 49 |
| Geo. W. Nason, Franklin | 60, 130 |
| Alfred S. Jewett, Manchester | 67 |
| A. H. Batcheler, Millbury | 70 |

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| Chas. D. Nash, S. Abington | 73 |
| J. T. Wilson, Winchester | 75 |
| Timothy S. Atwood, Abington | 78 |
| J. G. B. Adams, Lynn | 82 |
| J. Albert Blake, Danvers | 90 |
| A. A. Smith, Shelburne Falls | 93 |
| John S. Tapley, Methuen | 100 |
| H. A. Oakman, N. Marshfield | 111 |
| Alex. Smart, Merrimac | 114 |
| Geo. D. Shaw, Springfield | 125 |
| F. L. Wheelock, Adams | 126 |
| J. P. Chipman, Sandwich | 132 |
| Chas. Grey, Athol | 123, 140 |
| F. C. Luce, New Bedford | 146 |

II. The Commanders of the above-indicated Posts will at once put themselves in communication with their Mustering Officers, giving time and place of installation. In case of the absence of the comrade designated above for any Post, and where no comrade has been assigned, any National or Department Officer, or past Post Commander (in his own Post), in good standing (except the retiring Commander), may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until all reports and dues have been forwarded. See page 51 of the Service Book.

III. A year's supply of new forms A and B — Adjutant and Quartermaster — has been sent to each Post Commander; and if the same have not been received, immediate notice should be given to this office, as it is important that reports which are due January 1 should be transmitted promptly in envelopes furnished for that purpose. Surgeon's report will not be required.

IV. Blank credentials have been furnished on which the return of election of Post Commanders and Delegates and Alternates is to be made; one copy only is to be forwarded (if it has not already been done) with Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports, together with *per capita* tax, previous to January 10.

By command of

GEORGE H. PATCH,
Department Commander.

ALFRED C. MONROE,
Chief Mustering Officer.

Official:

JAMES F. MEECH,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

ROSTER

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

1882.

Elected.

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| GEORGE H. PATCH, <i>Commander</i> | South Framingham. |
| WILLIAM H. HART, <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | Chelsea. |
| JOHN D. BILLINGS, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | Cambridgeport. |
| AZEL AMES, JR., <i>Medical Director</i> | Wakefield. |
| JOHN W. LEE, <i>Chaplain</i> | Charlestown. |

Council of Administration.

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| WILLIAM A. SLOANE | Spencer. |
| WILLIAM S. FROST | Marlboro. |
| WILLIAM S. BROWN | South Boston. |
| MOSES P. PALMER | Groton. |
| CHARLES H. PARSONS | Gloucester. |

Official Staff.

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| JAMES F. MEECH, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General.</i> | 53 Tremont St., Room 3, Boston. |
| GEORGE L. GOODALE, <i>Assistant Q.M.-General.</i> | 53 Tremont St., Room 3, Boston. |
| WILLIAM L. BAIRD, <i>Inspector</i> | Lynn. |
| E. B. LORING, <i>Judge Advocate</i> | Boston. |
| ALFRED C. MONROE, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Brockton. |

Aides-de-Camp.

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| E. P. SIMPSON, | So. Framingham. | E. P. GIBBS, | Hudson. |
| A. M. TILTON, | Haverhill. | M. J. FERRIN, | Stoneham. |
| P. ALLEN LINDSEY, | Cambridgeport. | GEORGE R. PIERCE, | Shelburne Falls. |
| I. P. CONNIG, | Fitchburg. | T. M. REMINGTON, | Worcester. |
| BENJ. PITMAN, | Marblehead. | THEODORE LEUTZ, | Boston. |
| C. O. FELLOWS, | Chelsea. | H. A. SAWYER, | Lynn. |
| PHILIP H. CREASEY, | Newburyport. | LOUIS J. ELWELL, | Westboro. |
| LEONARD E. THAYER, | Oxford. | J. A. BLACK, | Spencer. |
| CHARLES NEWHALL, | Danvers. | SAML. A. CUSHING, Jr., | Dorchester. |
| WILLARD Y. GROSS, | Brookline. | JOSIAH G. COOK, | No. Hanson. |
| TIMOTHY S. ATWOOD, | Abington. | WILLIAM H. THOMAS, | Hingham Centre. |
| FREDERICK G. POPE, | So. Boston. | ALFRED B. HODGES, | Taunton. |
| M. O. WHEATON, | Attleboro. | FRED. J. LYONS, | Springfield. |
| GEORGE E. TEELE, | Watertown. | FREDERICK GRANT, | Salem. |

Representatives to National Encampment.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

HENRY B. PEIRCE, Abington.

DELEGATES.

ANDREW C. STONE, Lawrence.
 CHARLES O. FELLOWS, Chelsea.
 ALVIN R. BAILEY, Boston.
 BENJ. S. LOVELL, East Weymouth.
 J. P. MAXFIELD, Lowell.
 JOHN E. KILLIAN, Roxbury.
 CHARLES H. TRACY, Chicopee.
 THOMAS J. AMES, Leominster.
 J. B. LAMB, Worcester.
 AZEL AMES, JR., Wakefield.

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

J. FRANK DALTON, Salem.

ALTERNATES.

JOHN F. BRUCE, Fitchburg.
 BENJ. PITMAN, Marblehead.
 J. D. EDGELL, Gardner.
 J. H. DWYER, Lynn.
 NATHANIEL E. LADD, Groveland.
 F. W. MERRIAM, Shelburne Falls.
 CHARLES B. FOX, Boston.
 J. PAYSON BRADLEE, Boston.
 E. P. GIBBS, Hudson.
 GEORGE GURNEY, Taunton.

Past Department Commanders.

AUSTIN S. CUSHMAN, New York.
 FRANCIS A. OSBORN, Boston.
 A. B. UNDERWOOD, Boston.
 GEORGE S. MERRILL, Lawrence.
 JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Lynn.
 A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Worcester.

WILLIAM COGSWELL, Salem.
 JOHN W. KIMBALL, Fitchburg.
 HORACE BINNEY SARGENT, Salem.
 JOHN A. HAWES, Fairhaven.
 GEORGE W. CREASEY, Newburyport.

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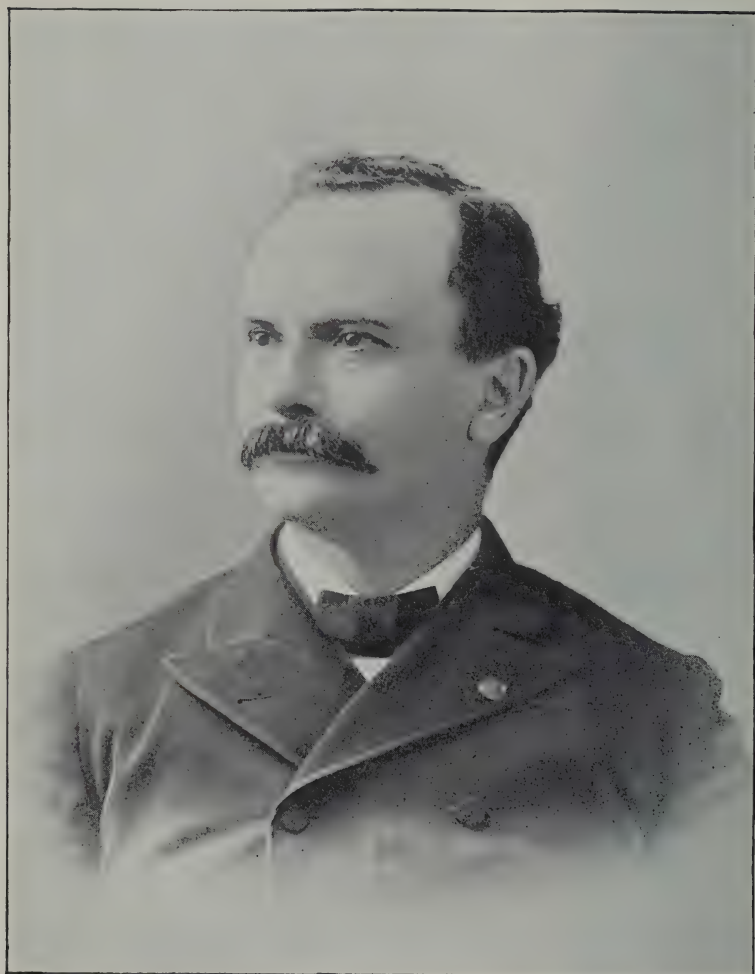
| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
|----------------------|-----|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman | 1 | New Bedford | James L. Wilber | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren | 2 | South Boston | George A. Thayer 817 Broadway | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett | 3 | Taunton | T. C. Lucas | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant | 4 | Melrose | Charles O. Boyd | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander | 5 | Lynn | Horace A. Sawyer Box 23 | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman | 6 | Holliston | Benj. A. Bridges | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell | 7 | Boston | Dennis Meehan Station A | Friday |
| E. W. Peirce | 8 | Middleboro | B. W. Bump Box 442 | Saturday |
| Reno | 9 | Hudson | Rufus Howe | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward | 10 | Worcester | T. M. Remington 16 Gold St. | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln | 11 | Charlestown | Thomas Crozier 223 Main St. | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| H. M. Warren | 12 | Wakefield | W. J. Mansfield | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster | 13 | Brockton | Alfred C. Monroe | Thursday |
| John A. Andrew | 14 | | | |
| | 15 | Boston | Richard F. Lynam 185 Summer St. | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox | 16 | Springfield | James O. Smith 56 High St. | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick | 17 | Orange | A. L. Shattuck | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott | 18 | Ashland | Ezra Morse | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner | 19 | Fitchburg | James Cuthbert | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf | 20 | Colerain | George H. Carpenter Griswoldville | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Friedrich Hecker | 21 | Boston | Theodore Leutz 8 Williams Court | 1st and 3d Sun. |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher | 22 | Milford | B. H. Montague | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker | 23 | East Boston | Eben B. Lincoln 301 Saratoga St. | 2d Tuesday |
| A. B. R. Sprague | 24 | Grafton | Chas. W. Aldrich | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge | 25 | Uxbridge | John W. Fitzpatrick | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson | 26 | Roxbury | Wm. M. Olin | Monday |
| Charles Devens | 27 | Oxford | Leonard E. Thayer | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells | 28 | West Boylston | H. O. Sawyer | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers | 29 | Waltham | John H. Whelon | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| William H. Smart | 30 | Cambridgeport | Edward J. Dolan 551 Main St. | Thursday |
| George W. Perry | 31 | Scituate | A. A. Seaverns No. Scituate | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington | 32 | South Boston | A. C. Belcher Boston Post-office | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Burbank | 33 | Woburn | Charles H. Harding | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan | 34 | Salem | J. Frank Dalton | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop | 35 | Chelsea | Charles O. Fellows Savings Bank | Thursday |
| Francis Gould | 36 | Arlington | Wilson W. Fay | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns | 37 | Spencer | Jarvis H. Jones | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Dexter | 38 | Brookfield | J. A. Parkhurst | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham | 39 | Lawrence | John F. Hogan | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry | 40 | Malden | E. E. Currier | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Lyon | 41 | Westfield | C. H. Watson Lock Box 97 | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| B. F. Butler | 42 | Lowell | Chas. W. Sleeper | Thursday |
| John A. Rawlins | 43 | Marlboro | A. M. Page | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols | 44 | Fayville | S. F. Draper | Monday |
| Colonel Allen | 45 | Gloucester | Charles H. Parsons | Thursday |
| Richard Borden | 46 | Fall River | Frank McGraw 10 Granite Block | Thursday |
| Major How | 47 | Haverhill | Chas. E. Peabody | Tuesday |
| George S. Boutwell | 48 | Ayer | John Q. A. McCollister | 1st Thursday |
| A. W. Bartlett | 49 | Newburyport | Daniel B. Whiting | Friday |
| Union | 50 | Peabody | Windsor M. Ward | Monday |
| Ezra Batcheller | 51 | North Brookfield | John S. Cooke | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall | 52 | South Easton | George A. Lackey | 2d and last Thurs. |
| Charles H. Stevens | 53 | Leominster | T. J. Ames | 2d and 4th Thurs. |

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| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | Berlin..... | John L. Bruce..... | 1st and 2d Tues. |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | Taunton..... | Frederick Thayer..... | Monday |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | Whittenton Mills } | Monday |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge.... | Wm. H. Eveleth..... | Wednesday |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | J. F. Capelle..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Major J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | Sterling..... | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin..... | 60 | Franklin..... | East Weymouth } | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | A. H. Melendy..... | 2d and 3d Friday |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | Oliver H. Ingalls..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | Eleazer W. Smith..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | H. W. Downs..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | Frank P. Simonds.... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | Louis L. Stone..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | Amos Bliss..... | Friday |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester..... | John S. Beck..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | Henry T. Bingham.... | Alternate Sat. |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | Herbert S. Cole..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | 38 Winter St., Boston } | Tuesday |
| A. St. John Chambré.. | 72 | Stoughton..... | E. S. Kendall..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | Rodney D. Loomis.... | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | Harry Crosby..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stonham..... | Box 453 } | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | Lysander Wood..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | A. H. Wright..... | Monday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.... | Isaac Hopkins..... | Wednesday |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams..... | L. P. Benton..... | 1st Saturday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | John Shannon..... | Tuesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | Isaac Damon..... | Friday |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | Marblehead..... | Timothy Reed..... | 1st Wednesday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | Peter Snyder..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.... | Chas. P. Winslow.... | Monday |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | Geo. F. Robinson..... | Last Tuesday |
| Henry Wilson..... | 86 | Maynard..... | Sam'l R. Hidden, Jr.... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.... | R. C. Waterman..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | W. W. Foster..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | Beverly..... | Charles E. Woodward.. | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | William Chaplin..... | Thursday |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxboro..... | Henry A. Monk..... | Thursday |
| Francis Washburn.... | 92 | Brighton..... | Isaac M. Holt..... | Monday |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls.... | William H. Morgan.... | Monday |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | Box 115 } | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | Saugus..... | George W. Kenny..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | J. B. Davidson..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | Box 33 } | 2d and last Thurs. |
| J. D. Mirick..... | 98 | Princeton..... | A. B. Collier..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett.. | 99 | Andover..... | G. R. Pierce..... | 1st Monday |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | Methuen..... | Alexander R. Holmes.. | 2d Saturday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | James H. Boyce..... | 1st Friday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | East Saugus } | Friday |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | D. M. Bailey..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | Geo. M. Abbey..... | 2d Wednesday |
| J. Orson Fisk..... | 105 | Upton..... | Emory W. Gill..... | Thursday |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | Peter D. Smith..... | 1st Thursday |
| L. L. Merriek..... | 107 | Palmer..... | John H. George..... | Friday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | Charles F. Payne..... | Monday |
| Eriesson..... | 109 | East Templeton.... | George A. Fletcher.... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Capt. Horace Niles.... | 110 | Randolph..... | Charles H. Tracy..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | I. Frank Goodwin.... | 1st Thursday |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate.... | E. Warren Harback.... | 1st Friday |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | Box 75 } | 1st Saturday |
| | | | William Wingood, Jr.. | 2d and last Mon. |
| | | | H. R. Stoughton..... | 2d Wednesday |
| | | | Solomon Nelson..... | |
| | | | B. F. French..... | |
| | | | Wm. A. Croak..... | |
| | | | Henry H. Collamore.. | |
| | | | No. Pembroke } | |
| | | | Alpheus Thomas..... | |
| | | | Ridge Hill } | |
| | | | T. R. Matthews..... | |
| | | | 50 Central St. } | |

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| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac..... | Charles O. Roberts..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | M. P. Palmer..... | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | George Kendall..... | 1st Wednesday |
| | | | So. Gardner..... | |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | Wm. F. Guild..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | Wm. G. Earp..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | L. G. Babcock..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | Lowell..... | Chas. H. Coburn..... | |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | George L. Eldridge..... | 1st Monday |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | M. M. Dennett..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | James Oliver..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | East Bridgewater.. | W. H. Osborne..... | 1st Thursday |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | Byron Weston..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| | | | Dalton..... | |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams..... | A. W. Wells..... | Alternate Sat. |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | Charles Atwood..... | 2d Saturday |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | Ipswich..... | Leach Clark..... | Wednesday |
| | 129 | | | |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | A. W. Barton..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | Leicester..... | R. F. Newton..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | Rochdale..... | |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | S. W. Hunt..... | 1st Saturday |
| | 133 | | | |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston..... | Thomas H. Younge..... | Thursday |
| | | | 5 Blossom Ct. } | |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | Hammond W. Paige..... | 2d and last Wed. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | Edward W. Hubbard..... | 1st Monday |
| | | | West Rutland } | |
| | 137 | | | |
| | 138 | | | |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | Martin Binney..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | Athol..... | W. E. Jaquith..... | Wednesday |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | Harwich..... | Geo. M. Munsell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxtonville..... | Charles H. Fuller..... | 2d and last Thur. |
| | | | So. Framingham } | |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | T. W. Clements..... | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | C. A. Taft..... | 2d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | Edward W. Rhodes..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| | 146 | | | |
| | 147 | | | |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | Wm. A. Snow..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Major G. L. Stearns... | 149 | Charlestown..... | Wm. H. Seymour..... | Friday |
| | | | 410 Main St. } | |
| | 150 | | | |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury..... | Ephriam Bailey..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |



GEORGE S. EVANS,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1883-84.

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BOSTON, 1884.

JANUARY 30 — EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Faneuil Hall, Boston, Jan. 30, 1884, in compliance with General Orders, No. 12, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 8 o'clock by Department Commander George S. Evans.

The Officer of the Day reported all present members of the Order.

Prayer was offered by the Department Chaplain, John W. Lee.

Commander Evans announced the Encampment opened in due form, and appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz.: the Assistant Adjutant-General; C. H. Parsons; W. W. Scott; R. F. Tobin; J. C. Thomas; Benj. Pitman of the Council of Administration, and Inspector H. A. Sawyer.

On motion of Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42 it was *voted*,

That the reading of the records be dispensed with.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows : —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment . | 487 |
| Number present | 334 |

Divided as follows : —

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| Department Officers. | 15 |
| Past Department Commanders | 4 |
| Post Commanders | 108 |
| Delegates | 207 |
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| Total | 334 |

The Department Commander reported the presence on the platform of a delegation from the Department of Rhode Island, headed by Past Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief E. H. Rhodes.

Past Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill, Past Department Commanders John G. B. Adams and George W. Creasey were noticed in the hall, and invited to seats on the platform.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1884.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | GEORGE S. EVANS. |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | JOHN D. BILLINGS. |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | WM. A. SLOANE. |
| <i>Medical Director</i> | JAS. H. WRIGHT. |
| <i>Chaplain</i> | JOHN W. LEE. |

Council of Administration.

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| CHAS. H. PARSONS, | W. W. SCOTT, | RICHARD F. TOBIN, |
| J. CUSHING THOMAS, | | BENJ. PITMAN. |

Official Staff.

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| <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | A. C. MONROE. |
| <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i> | C. O. FELLOWS. |
| <i>Inspector</i> | H. A. SAWYER. |
| <i>Judge Advocate</i> | JOHN L. RICE. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | A. M. LUNT. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| A. B. UNDERWOOD. | GEORGE S. MERRILL. |
| JOHN G. B. ADAMS. | GEORGE W. CREASEY. |
| GEORGE H. PATCH. | |

[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

- POST 1. Commander James L. Wilber, James F. Triff, Leopold Bartol, George P. Gifford.
- POST 2. Commander J. Payson Bradley, William S. Brown, Horace S. Everett, Charles H. Ross.
- POST 3. Commander Gustavus T. Fisher, C. S. Anthony, Henry D. White, D. S. Elliott.
- POST 4. Commander Edwin C. Gould, James Pope.
- POST 5. Commander Geo. D. Stiles, H. O. Moore, E. B. Billings, John L. Parker, Chas. H. Baker, Chas. Loyd, Wm. L. Baird, Chas. W. Sears, Frank Swain, H. F. Segar, A. A. Davis, R. E. Redman, John C. Metcalf, D. H. Fellows, John G. Dervan, G. A. Badger, F. P. Larrabee, Geo. H. Lehman, John Macfarlane.
- POST 6. Commander Daniel F. Travis, B. A. Bridges.

- POST 7. Commander Albert S. Buswell, A. E. Perkins, S. F. Keyes, Dennis Meehan, Geo. A. J. Colgan.
- POST 8. Commander A. P. Vaughan, Chas. A. Howes.
- POST 9. Commander Rufus Howe, Sullivan Arnold, E. P. Miles.
- POST 10. Commander Wm. L. Robinson, W. H. Bartlett, S. F. Babbitt, C. W. Gasset, J. K. Churchill, J. P. Lamb, John G. Brewer, George A. Blunt, J. B. Willard, L. J. Goodell, Thos. O'Gara, F. H. Rice.
- POST 11. Commander Thomas H. Haskell, Z. R. Knowles, Alvin R. Bailey.
- POST 12. Commander Oliver Walton, Jason H. Knight, S. B. Dearborn, Justin Howard, C. H. Hawes.
- POST 13. Senior Vice-Commander Frank W. Luce, Fred Hanson, A. Elliot Paine.
- POST 14. Commander T. N. Drawbridge, L. K. Hutchinson.
- POST 15. Commander George O. Noyes, D. Linehan, Thomas Langlan, Oliver Downing, George W. Powers, Thomas G. White.
- POST 16. Commander E. W. Lathrop, W. B. Watts, J. W. Hersey, Charles Fay, G. L. Warriner, R. J. Hamilton, H. M. Phillips, G. W. Turner.
- POST 17. Commander R. W. Rand, S. S. Giles.
- POST 18. Commander J. H. Balcom, Thomas Taylor.
- POST 19. Commander Ira G. Wilkins, J. C. Bruce, Alphonso Marsh, C. E. Pherson, J. R. Hamilton.
- POST 20. Geo. H. Carpenter.
- POST 21. Commander Charles Bleiler, Theodore Leutz.
- POST 22. Commander Geo. L. Maynard, Alfred A. Burrell, Geo. M. Hawkins.
- POST 23. Commander J. H. Dalton, Samuel M. Weale, Jonas C. Littlefield.
- POST 24. Commander Henry Mann, T. J. Hall.
- POST 25. Not represented.
- POST 26. Commander Charles H. Hovey, C. W. C. Rhoades, F. W. Monroe.
- POST 27. Commander Fred G. Hyde, Edwin Allen.
- POST 28. Commander W. L. G. Haskins, H. O. Sawyer.
- POST 29. Commander Wm. D. Newland, H. C. Hall, J. H. Whelon.
- POST 30. Commander John W. Walker, Horace J. Gray, Geo. H. Cope-land, E. J. Dolan.
- POST 31. Commander A. A. Seaverns, Bardin A. Prouty.
- POST 32. Commander W. J. Blake, A. C. Belcher.
- POST 33. Thomas H. Hill, Albert P. Barrett.
- POST 34. Senior Vice-Commander Samuel Worcester, Amos Stillman, Mark Heathcote, J. Frank Dalton.
- POST 35. Commander Geo. W. Marsh, Wm. H. Hart, Jas. T. Lakin, Charles A. Littlefield, Amasa P. Johnson, Charles A. Campbell, Henry J. Winde, F. O. Barnes.
- POST 36. Commander Horace D. Durgin, James A. Marden.
- POST 37. Commander Geo. L. Smith, Junior Vice-Commander Ira E. Lackey, E. J. Bean.
- POST 38. Junior Vice-Commander F. A. Cooper.
- POST 39. Commander George H. Flagg, Wm. D. Curtis, A. C. Stone, H. K. Webster, John K. Tarbox.
- POST 40. Commander Benj. Johnson, M. B. Lakeman, Frank J. Scott.
- POST 41. Commander Charles H. Clark, John A. Pittsinger, S. P. Harrison, Geo. H. Prescott.
- POST 42. Commander F. B. Peabody, E. W. Thompson, J. P. Maxfield, N. W. Allen, S. S. Stacey, Geo. C. Hedrick, Geo. H. Richardson.
- POST 43. Commander E. C. Marsh, W. S. Frost, J. W. Barnes, W. A. Alley.

- POST 44. Commander Francis Wright, S. F. Draper.
 POST 45. Commander Wm. H. Cross, Fitz. J. Babson, E. L. Rowe, D. S. Watson, A. C. Andrews.
 POST 46. Commander John H. Abbott, Henry M. Weeden, Frank McGraw, Richard B. Blake, Henry O. Nickerson, Joseph E. Nye
 POST 47. Commander Wm. H. Johnson, John G. Scates, E. G. W. Cartwright, Chas E Sturgis, Walter Goodrich, Nathan P. Taber, Thomas M. Arnold.
 POST 48. Commander John Q. A. McCollester.
 POST 49. Senior Vice-Commander J. Albert Mills, Thomas E. Cutter, Philip H. Creasey, Caleb P. Davis, Jr., William A. Little.
 POST 50. Commander William H. Hildreth, John H. Tibbetts, C. T. Batchelder, Simon P. Buxton.
 POST 51. Commander John S. Cook, Stephen B. Kemp.
 POST 52. Commander E. R. Holbrook, Marcus F. Delano.
 POST 53. Commander Aldrich Cook, W. H. Lovering, Clesson Kenney.
 POST 54. Commander John L. Bruce, John A. Merrill.
 POST 55. Not represented.
 POST 56. Commander D. T. Duhig, H. A. Allyn, Wm. H. Eveleth.
 POST 57. Commander Jonas F. Capelle, Junior Vice-Commander Henry Weisse, John C. Driscoll, Charles O. Welch, Thos Montgomery.
 POST 58. Commander Benj. S. Lovell, Charles Hawes.
 POST 59. Commander Edward F. Winn, Thomas L. Gerry, S. R. Peters.
 POST 60. Commander Oliver H. Ingalls, George W. Nason.
 POST 61. Commander A. R. Snow, E. P. Morton, E. W. Smith.
 POST 62. Commander W. A. Wetherbee, S. S. Whitney, J. F. Makee.
 POST 63. Commander Frank P. Simonds, D. H. L. Gleason, A. B. Pierce.
 POST 64. Commander Louis L. Stone, Jeremiah Stuart, Henry C. Ladd.
 POST 65. Amos Bliss.
 POST 66. Commander Samuel G. Jepson, John S. Beck, Geo. L. Goodale.
 POST 67. Commander Robert C. Calder, Senior Vice-Commander Ezra Stanley, Henry T. Brigham.
 POST 68. Commander Charles D. Stiles, J. K. Burlingame, H. S. Cole, Chas. B. Fox, Sam'l A. Cushing, Jr., B. Read Wales, Luther Moulton, Jr.
 POST 69. Commander Abner E. Drury, Adin F. Baker.
 POST 70. Commander A. H. Bachelor, S. E. Hull.
 POST 71. Commander Henry Crosby, Senior Vice-Commander W. H. Abbott, P. J. Donnelly, W. H. Abbott
 POST 72. Commander Lysander Wood, Thomas Blanchard.
 POST 73. Commander A. H. Wright, Jesse H. Jones, John W. Sproul.
 POST 74. Commander Isaac Hopkins, Henry J. Cushing, Wm. B. Seavey.
 POST 75. Commander R. K. Brown, Senior Vice-Commander Y. C. Silke, L. P. Benton, John Bert, S. A. Lawrence.
 POST 76. Commander Alonzo H. Perry, Ezra T. Burgess, W. B. Standish.
 POST 77. Commander George S. Graham
 POST 78. Commander William H. Gurney, F. P. Harlow, Timothy Reed.
 POST 79. Commander G. S. Stockwell, Henry A. Tower.
 POST 80. Commander G. T. Fayerweather, Theodore N. Gates, Chas Drayton.
 POST 81. Commander B. H. Dow, Geo. E. Teele, H. W. Martin.
 POST 82. Commander Wm. B. McCurdy, William H. Brown, Richard Goldsmith, John Anderson.
 POST 83. Commander Woodbridge R. Howes, Horace S. Tower.
 POST 84. Not represented.
 POST 85. Commander George S. Marsh, M. G. Miller
 POST 86. Commander Wm. C. Pomeroy, John L. Otis, J. B. Parsons.

- POST 87. Commander Henry A. Monk, T. B. Stoddard.
 POST 88. Commander William P. Martin, Geo. A. Ordway, Chas. A. Follett
 POST 89. Commander Joseph W. Stocker, Fred K. A. Wallis, Henry N. Rogers, Charles W. Pert.
 POST 90. Commander Edward L. Hill, Wm. P. Damon, William J. Murphy, Thomas R. McDermott.
 POST 91. Commander C. A. Stevens, H. L. Campbell.
 POST 92. Commander B. F. Sanborn, A. J. Wilson.
 POST 93. Not represented.
 POST 94. Commander J. Linfield, A. A. Harrington
 POST 95. Commander Chas. A. Newhall, J. W. Sawyer.
 POST 96. Commander F. M. Harrington, M. M. Thompson
 POST 97. Commander George M. Abbey, Charles E. Davis.
 POST 98. Commander Chas. A. Gross, F. A. Field
 POST 99. Commander B. Cummings, S. K. Goldsmith.
 POST 100. Commander Daniel Webster, Senior Vice-Commander George N. Barnard.
 POST 101. Commander Hosea B. Nash, L. H. Hopkinson
 POST 102. Commander Geo. A. Fletcher, J. Walter Bradlee.
 POST 103. Commander C. H. Tracy, Amos O. Kenney.
 POST 104. Commander C. H. Wakefield, Henry Jones.
 POST 105. Albert Davis.
 POST 106. Commander Thomas Y. Parsons, Jr., Walter G. Peckham.
 POST 107. Not represented.
 POST 108. Commander Chas. Smith, E. P. Wildes.
 POST 109. George P. Hawkes.
 POST 110. Commander William A. Croak, Senior Vice-Commander H. A. Drake, John Moore, Jr.
 POST 111. Commander Henry H. Collamore, George N. Church.
 POST 112. Not represented
 POST 113. Commander E. H. Richards, Albert W. Heney, Thos. L. O'Brien
 POST 114. Commander Chas. O. Roberts, Bailey Sargent.
 POST 115. Commander M. P. Palmer, Thomas Gibson.
 POST 116. Commander S. T. Chamberlin, John A. Byron.
 POST 117. Commander John H. Gould, William F. Guild.
 POST 118. Commander Peleg Gardner, John I. Adams
 POST 119. Senior Vice-Commander George D. Harrington.
 POST 120. Commander Hubert M. Potter, Junior Vice-Commander W. A. Fifield, C. H. Coburn, C. F. Mann, A. G. Hildreth.
 POST 121. Commander Geo. G. Bailey, Jr., Geo. L. Eldridge, S. A. Reynolds, L. B. French.
 POST 122. Commander Chas. L. Tucker, Dudley E. Gale.
 POST 123. Commander Samuel N. Gould, Enoch T. Lewis.
 POST 124. Commander E. E. Edson, F. M. Kingman.
 POST 125. Commander W. H. Chamberlain, Chas. M. Whelden.
 POST 126. Commander F. L. Wheelock, N. B. Baker.
 POST 127. Not represented.
 POST 128. Commander Luther Wait, Leach Clark.
 POST 129. Not represented.
 POST 130. Commander H. A. Walker, Jerry Simmons.
 POST 131. Commander F. M. Lamb, Henry Williams.
 POST 132. Senior Vice-Commander B. F. Chamberlin, J. H. Stevens.
 POST 133. Commander Wm. H. Wade, J. R. Mathewson.
 POST 134. Wm. H. Howard, J. Lambert.
 POST 135. Commander Jos. R. Loring, Hammond W. Paige.
 POST 136. Commander Jas. G. Shannon.
 POST 137. Not represented.

- POST 138. Commander Jonathan C. Loker, A. C. Handley.
POST 139. Commander Chas. F. King, James Murphy.
POST 140. Commander L. H. Sawin, M. R. Hartshorn, W. E. Jaquith.
POST 141. Commander Samuel Hawes, Chas. H. Packard.
POST 142. Commander Wm B. Wallace, George A. Reed.
POST 143. Willard Y. Gross, Wm. E. Long, Chas. C. Soule.
POST 144. Commander Chas C. Nichols, John B. Fisher, Cornelius A. Taft.
POST 145. Commander Thomas K. Gay, E. A. Horton, M. O. Wheaton, E. W. Rhodes.
POST 146. Commander Chas. H. Harrison.
POST 147. Commander J. W. Howland, Senior Vice-Commander H. C. Comins, J. A. Rawson.
POST 148. Commander Wm. A. Snow, S. C. Small.
POST 149. Commander Horace S. Flagg, Wm. H. Seymour.
POST 150. Commander Jason Mann, L. B. Sewell.
POST 151. Not represented.
POST 153. Commander C. T. Stearns.
POST 154. Commander Geo. H. Bonney, Jr., James H. Thompson.
POST 155. Not represented.
POST 156. Commander Darius Hadley, Robert H. Jenkins.
POST 157. Commander Geo. E. Craig, F. A. Hartshorn.
POST 158. Commander William McDonald.
POST 159. Commander Flavel Shurtleff, F. M. Boynton.
POST 160. Commander J. G. Warren, G. H. Howard.
POST 161. Commander George Perkins.
POST 162. Not represented.
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The next business was the reports of Department Officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander, George S. Evans, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER GEORGE S. EVANS.

Comrades: As we gather together here tonight, at the Eighteenth Annual Encampment of our Department organization, it is right and proper that we should return sincere and hearty thanks to the great Commander of us all for His watchful care and providence over us in the past, and to invoke His aid and blessing for the success and prosperity of our beloved organization in the future.

As we look back over the past year and the work which has been accomplished, in extending the influence and the blessings of the Grand Army of the Republic in this State, and the fraternal feeling which exists throughout the Department, it is with a feeling of deep thankfulness that I most heartily congratulate you upon the excellent condition of our Department today, and the bright and glorious prospects which loom up before us for the future.

Comrades, I am glad to meet you here tonight at this, the largest Encampment of our Department organization, and in my review of the work of the past year, I shall speak, not boastfully, but gratefully. When the delegates to the last Encampment conferred upon me the high and responsible position of Commander, I determined to devote all the time and attention to the duties of the office that I possibly could, and by all the means in my power promote the interests and extend the benefits of our organization. I hand back to you, tomorrow, the charge you then confided to my keeping, with the consciousness of having, to the best of my ability, and in my humble way, done all that in me lay for the best interests of the Department and of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We meet at this time to review the work of the past year and to take counsel for the future. We meet in peace to counsel for the maintaining and advancing of the principles and influence of this grand organization, that sprang up from the ashes of the great armies whose record you helped to make glorious, and whose triumphs and victories you helped to achieve; an organization whose fraternity is so true and grand, whose charity is so widespread and so free, and whose loyalty is so earnest and intense.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the year we have added to our roster fourteen new Posts, three of which were organized by my predecessor. Two new Posts were organized last week, and appeared to start off under very favorable circumstances. The twelve Posts previously organ-

ized are in excellent condition, and are increasing their membership at nearly every meeting.

I have not been over-anxious for the organization of new Posts, believing more in strengthening the Posts in existence, when it was possible to do so, than establishing new ones in localities where there was but a slight prospect of their living. Though the Rules and Regulations require but ten names on an application for charter, I have insisted on having at least twenty names, believing that ten names are too few, at this late day, with which to organize a Post; and I therefore feel more confident of the success of these Posts from the fact that they have started off with a good working membership of at least twenty-five.

There have been no surrenders of charters during the year. One Post has failed to make returns for the fourth quarter of the year, and, I believe, has held no meetings. The Commander paid the *per capita* tax of the first, second and third quarters, and promised to try and get the comrades together and renew the interest. I wrote him a personal letter, offering him any assistance that I might be able to render either personally or through my Staff, but received no reply. The Assistant Inspector detailed for that Post made his spring and fall visitations, but was unable to get the comrades together. Including this Post, we now have 162 Posts in the Department.

The report to National Headquarters for the year ending December 31, 1882, shows a membership, in good standing, of 12,410; while the report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1883, foots up a total of 14,393 members in good standing; an actual gain over all losses during the past year of 1,983. With the gain in membership made by the accession of the two new Posts, and the delayed returns received from Posts since our reports were sent to National Headquarters, the Assistant Adjutant-General's Report will show that, up to the present time, our membership is 14,505, in good standing, making the total gain 2,064. I regret to say that our fourth quarter's report shows a suspended membership of 420. In General Orders, No. 10, I drew attention to this matter of suspended members, believing then, as I do now, that, by a little extra exertion on the part of Post Quartermasters, this large suspended list might be greatly reduced. The first quarter of last year there were suspended 463; second quarter, 496; third quarter, 429; while the dropped from the rolls amounted to only seventy-seven in the second quarter, ninety-two in the third quarter, and seventy-three in the fourth quarter. It would naturally be inferred that the suspended membership of 463 the first quarter would cause a large number to be dropped later on in the year, but such is not the case, as you will see by the above figures that nearly all those suspended during the first

quarter have been gained in the second or third. The number suspended during the year was 1,876; while the number dropped from the rolls was only 307.

Believing as I do that a large number of these suspensions are caused simply by the neglect or carelessness of comrades who are amply able and perfectly willing to pay their dues, I feel that, if Post Quartermasters will take as much interest in the collection of dues before suspending a member as they do before dropping him, this showing can be greatly improved upon. I would earnestly recommend that Commanders of Posts, entering upon their duties for this year, will give this subject the consideration it deserves, and make a better showing for our Department in this direction during the present year. Feeling that these 420 suspended members of the last quarter are not lost to the Department, we can safely place our membership on Jan. 1, 1884, at about 14,600; or, up to the present time, at about 14,800, in round numbers.

In looking over the roll, we find that 169 of our comrades have been mustered out by Death, and gone into camp with that large column which preceded them to the other side of the river. We miss their faces and their counsel, but, like their comrades who have gone before, they are gratefully remembered for what they did and suffered for their country. Their places are vacant, never to be filled in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Among those whose loss we were caused to mourn during the year were two whose prominence in our Order deserves more than passing mention: Past Department Commander John A. Hawes died at Fair Haven, March 10, 1883. His funeral took place on the 13th. I regretted exceedingly that I did not have timely notice of his funeral, in order to make arrangements to attend; but the Department was represented by the Assistant Adjutant-General, Past Commander-in-Chief Merrill, Past Department Commanders Adams, Creasey and Patch, with other comrades. A beautiful floral tribute was contributed in behalf of the Department, and at a meeting of the Council of Administration appropriate resolutions were adopted and forwarded to the family of our respected Past Department Commander. By the death of Comrade Hawes the Department lost an earnest, devoted and loyal comrade; one whose heart was in the welfare of our organization, and one whose memory will long be cherished by his comrades throughout the Department, and especially by those who were associated with him during his three years at Department Headquarters as Junior Vice, Senior Vice and Commander.

Past Department Chaplain Warren H. Cudworth died suddenly at East Boston, on Thanksgiving Day, at a union service of the various churches, and while invoking the Divine blessing. His sudden death cast a gloom all over the city, and brought a

deep sorrow to the home of many who had experienced his kind-heartedness and generosity. Popular alike with rich and poor, young and old, his loss to the community was universally regretted, but by none more so than by his comrades. Those who were associated with him in the service of his country knew him but to love him, and we of the Grand Army of the Republic, who were intimate with him, can best appreciate him as the friend of the soldier, the widow and the orphan. His genial, happy disposition endeared him to all, and our Department, by his death, loses one of the kindest, noblest and most generous of our comrades. We mourn his loss, but our grief is tempered with joyous pride in his heroism, and our tear-drops, glistening in the lustre of his manhood, become imperishable gems to adorn for all time his radiant memory. He fought the good fight, and is now enjoying the repose of a victory greater than any earthly triumph.

The Department was represented at the funeral of Comrade Cudworth by the Commander and a large delegation of his Staff.

FINANCES.

The excellent detailed report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General will present to you the financial standing of our Department up to date.

The amount of cash on hand at the commencement of my administration was \$683.71, and today, without any indebtedness, we have cash on hand amounting to \$1,744.31. It will be remembered that among the first of my duties was the securing of rooms for headquarters, being compelled to remove from where we were then located. The expenses of moving and fitting up headquarters, procuring a testimonial for the retiring Assistant Adjutant-General, James F. Meech, and the purchase of a desk for headquarters are among the items of expenditure during the year, and will be classed as extraordinary, from the fact that they will not recur for years to come. The value of the supplies on hand at the present time is \$382.18, which, added to the cash on hand, furniture and property of the headquarters, amounts to \$2,510.59.

It has been our aim during the year to conduct the affairs of the Department as economically as possible, consistent with good management, and when we reflect that, four years ago, the Department was deeply in debt, the showing at the present time is a source of gratification to us all, and one upon which the Department is to be congratulated.

INSPECTIONS.

From the report of the Department Inspector, and from my own personal observation, I find a marked improvement nearly

everywhere in the manner of doing the work in the Post room, — a closer attention is paid to the Ritual, and as a consequence there is more uniformity in the work throughout the Department. There is, however, still room for improvement, and I have urged upon all Posts that I have visited to follow carefully the Ritual. I am happy to be able to say that in a large number of Posts the officers have committed the Ritual to memory, which is a great improvement upon each officer reading his part, and I would earnestly suggest that each officer memorize the part assigned to him, and I feel satisfied that he will not regret it.

Believing that the system inaugurated by Commander Patch last year of spring inspection or visitation, was a good one, I adopted it and have found it of great benefit to a large number of Posts. The spring visitation is more for instruction than criticism, and the number of marked improvements reported at the fall inspection over the spring visitation, speaks volumes in favor of the system. Besides the improvement in the work of the Posts, these visitations bring the Department Headquarters and the Posts into closer communion, and is the means of making many a Post feel that it is not entirely neglected by headquarters, but that there is some interest taken in its success and welfare.

For these reasons I do earnestly recommend that the spring visitations be continued.

The complete and thorough inspection of all the Posts in the Department during the year is a matter of much gratification to me, and I cannot too highly compliment the Inspector and Assistants for the prompt and faithful manner in which they have performed their duty.

A large number of Posts now include in the muster-in fee the price of the Regulation Badge. I would recommend its adoption by every Post in the Department, if for no other reason than that of making the badge presentation, which is such an impressive feature of our ritualistic work. Every comrade should possess a badge, and I know of no time or place where its importance can be made so apparent as at the Post room upon the night of initiation, when it is presented in the presence of the comrades.

While speaking of badges, it is with pleasure that I mention the receipt of a communication from the Commander-in-Chief, in which he announces that hereafter National Headquarters will furnish a full set of rank-badges for Posts for three dollars. This is a very gratifying reduction from the exorbitant prices we have been paying, and as the Department can furnish the set for four dollars, this is a reduction of about one-half to the Post for the set of nine badges. The Sergeant-Major and Quartermaster-Sergeant badges are not included, as no available design has been adopted by the National Encampment.

CHARITY.

The reports which are to follow will show that the expenditures for charity from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1883, were \$36,941.61. This large amount has been expended during the year in extending aid and comfort to the destitute comrades, or the families of deceased comrades. We can never measure the weight of woe which has been thus lifted, the many sad hearts cheered, the broken spirits encouraged, through the instrumentality of the Grand Army of the Republic. This, comrades, is a magnificent showing, and one of which we must necessarily feel proud.

There is at present \$105,851.47 in the Relief Funds of our Posts, which shows that the comrades have been earnestly at work in behalf of the charitable work of our organization. It is well to keep our Relief Funds in good condition, for the years are coming when the demands upon us will be much greater than they now are, and we will be less able to seek and obtain the funds necessary for the carrying on of our noble work.

OUR SOLDIERS' HOME

has now been in operation one year and a half, and is today, in my estimation, the proudest monument of the work of our Department. It is a home in reality, and I believe ever will be, so long as it is presided over by our esteemed comrade, the Superintendent, Gen. James A. Cunningham, and his beloved and estimable wife, the Matron, than whom no better woman ever presided over an institution in this or any other country.

I will not dwell upon the necessities and beauties of the Home. You nearly all know my feelings in relation to it from the time it was first suggested. It is very gratifying to us all to witness its success, and our only regrets are that he, Gen. Horace Binney Sargent, who did more than any other one person for its establishment and success, is not present with us at this Convention, to rejoice and be glad over the results of an enterprise upon which he had set his whole heart.

There will be presented to you a printed annual report of the management of the Home during the first year, which will give you interesting information. Besides this, the President of the Board of Trustees, Comrade J. G. B. Adams, will give you a statement of its condition up to Jan. 1, 1884.

The Board of Trustees voted at its last meeting to hold a grand Fair in the spring of 1885, upon the Grand Army plan, under the auspices and with the co-operation of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is expected to make this Fair a great success, and to realize a handsome sum, so that our accommodations may be increased and our Home placed upon a substantial financial footing; and upon you, comrades, and those whom you represent, depends the success of that undertaking.

While the time set for the holding of the contemplated Fair is somewhat distant, we cannot begin on the work too soon. I would, therefore, strongly recommend that some definite action be taken by this Encampment in relation to the matter. I believe it would be well for the Commanders and delegates here assembled to bring the matter before their respective Posts at their very next meetings, and adopt some plan of action by which they can help in the undertaking. I have no hesitation in saying, that with concerted action throughout the Department, the handsome sum of one hundred thousand dollars can be raised. But it requires work, yes, hard work; still we are equal to the occasion, if we only put our shoulders to the wheel, and I hope that every comrade will feel that upon him to a certain extent depends the success of the Fair to be held for the benefit of our Soldiers' Home, in the spring of 1885.

MEMORIAL DAY.

From every section of our good old Commonwealth came cheering reports as to the renewed interest and devotion to the services of our Memorial Day. It has become one of the acknowledged holidays of the year, and its general observance by the people is a guarantee that the day, with its sacred and hallowed memories, has a place in the heart of every liberty-loving, loyal citizen. The reports from the various Posts show that the decoration of our comrades' graves was properly attended to, the services incident thereto were of more than usual interest, and the attendance of comrades at the exercises far in excess of that of any previous year.

It grieves me when I notice a growing disposition on the part of unthinking people to make it a day for excursions, dances and other amusements. God forbid that this day, designed for thanksgiving and sorrow, should ever be a day of festivity. Comrades, we should give our annual Memorial Day an impress and a significance that will characterize it after we and this generation have gone. We must frown down, condemn, by sentiment and voice, the desecration of this day made sacred to the memory of over five hundred thousand loyal men whose graves we decorate upon Memorial Day. The comrade who would neglect the duty of the day for such amusements is wanting in the principles and spirit of our organization.

Let us each succeeding year gather together upon Memorial Day, hold services worthy of the occasion, scatter upon the graves of our martyred dead the fragrant flowers, — the gift of the widow, the mother, the sister, the brother, the friend, — decorate their graves silently, reverently; you stand beside a soldier's grave; do it as the simple and visible sign of a soldier's affection. Our Memorial Day services add to the sanctity of a wedded affection

for the land we love, pledging eternal fidelity to each other and to the honor of the dear old flag we followed in war, and cherish so highly in peace; and the nation lives today because our lamented comrades died to redeem it, and the flag of freedom floats proudly in the breeze because the blood of our patriotic dead was shed to uphold it.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

With a full delegation from our Department, accompanied by the New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont and Rhode Island delegations, I attended the Encampment at Denver, Colorado. It was a grand gathering of veterans who had come long distances to be present at this annual reunion of our organization. Nearly twenty thousand veterans were in the city of Denver during the session. The Encampment was the largest ever held, and of the many I have attended was the most successful in the transaction of business, clearing up everything that came before it.

Of the business transacted you have received reports through General Orders, etc., and I will not take up your time with comments upon it. The communication of John A. Andrew Post No. 15 of this city, asking for a petition for the admission of sailors to the National Soldiers' Homes upon the same condition as soldiers, was unanimously adopted. This I believe was the only matter that affected our Department particularly. The election of officers was in accordance with the wishes of the delegates of this Department, as expressed at a meeting previously held, and I believe the choice made was a good one in every instance.

The next Encampment will be at Minneapolis, Minn., in July, and I cannot too urgently impress upon you the necessity of selecting delegates who will attend. Though I understood that each delegate elected last year had pledged himself to go to Denver, but six attended out of the twenty-four delegates and alternates, the Council of Administration electing six to fill vacancies. This year we are entitled to fourteen delegates, and I trust that the committee for that purpose will only present the names of those who will attend.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Public installations of officers are becoming very prevalent in this, as well as other Departments of our organization, and I heartily commend them. The public, and especially our friends, should be invited to such gatherings of our Posts as we can properly admit them to. Our installation services might be made far more impressive and interesting, but as it is many have expressed surprise and gratification at their impressiveness and have formed advanced ideas of our organization after being present at a public installation. In order that we might have a

proper form of public installation, which is not laid down in the Service Book, I would recommend that a committee be appointed at this Encampment to revise our present service, so as to make it suitable for both private and public installations, said committee to report to the Department Commander at the completion of its work, the Commander to present the same to the National Encampment for its adoption or rejection. I recommend this method because of the delays attendant upon work referred to committees at the National Encampment.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The past year has been an eventful one for this organization of noble and patriotic women. Accepting the invitation of Commander-in-Chief Van Dervoort, a large number of ladies, from all sections of the country where the Grand Army exists, were present at Denver, Col., during the National Encampment, for the purpose of consulting as to the future of the organization. After considerable discussion as to the best method, a National organization was formed, and I am proud to say that the work of the Massachusetts organization was adopted as the best to work under. This endorsement of the work of the Massachusetts women was made still stronger by the selection of three of its officers as the principal officers of the National organization. While the Woman's National Relief Corps is in such hands, we have no need to fear for the result.

The State Department has, as in the past years of its existence, been doing a noble work of charity, and has, in many instances which came under my own observation, been of great benefit, and a material helper to some of our Posts. Having always had infinite faith in woman's work as auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, I am stronger in the faith today than ever, and I heartily commend the Massachusetts Department, as it now stands, as an organization whose only aim is to aid and co-operate with us in the noble work we are day by day accomplishing, and to in no way assume any of the prerogatives of our organization; but to help and care for the destitute comrade if need be, and to comfort and provide for the widows and orphans of our late comrades.

There is another organization of women which deserves our gratitude, the Ladies' Aid Society. The object of this society is to assist in any way possible in procuring means to carry on the Soldier's Home, and to gather for the inmates such matter as will be entertaining and useful for their amusement and comfort. This society will give a grand "Kettle Drum," for the benefit of the Home, at the Institute Building, on the evening of February 14, by which they expect to realize a handsome sum.

SONS OF VETERANS.

I have been asked a great many times during the past year to recognize in some manner the Sons of Veterans organization, or to say a good word in its behalf. This I would have been glad to do if harmony had prevailed in their ranks and their actions in all cases had met with my views. There being so many distinct organizations, with apparently an unkindly feeling toward each other, I resolved to keep aloof from them altogether, and have not inquired into the merits of either branch. The organization which presented its case before the National Encampment at Denver, presented the following as its object:—

“To keep green the memories of our fathers, and their sacrifice for the maintenance of the Union; to aid the members of the Grand Army of the Republic in caring for their helpless and disabled veterans; to extend aid and protection to their widows and orphans; to perpetuate the memory and history of their heroic dead, and the proper observance of Memorial day; to aid and assist worthy and needy members of our Order; to inculcate patriotism and love of country, not only among our membership, but among all the people of our land, and to spread and sustain the doctrines of equal rights, universal liberty, and justice to all.”

An organization with such noble purposes ought to receive our approval, but it will require harmony and peace “all along the line” before I can commend it to my comrades. Our organization is now powerful and strong, with every prospect of still further advancement; our Charity Fund is in a healthy condition, and I feel that for a few years to come we will be able to carry on our work, therefore I cannot agree with the course adopted by some Camps of the Sons of Veterans in going before the people in their own behalf and soliciting aid, either by sale or contribution, upon the ostensible grounds occupied by the Grand Army, and in the very locations where some of our Posts are mostly benefited. If this course should be pursued in many places it would be a great injury to our Posts. While the organization lives up to the objects herein laid down, “to aid the members of the Grand Army of the Republic in caring for their helpless and disabled veterans, to extend aid and protection to their widows and orphans,” it will ever have my hearty sympathy; but when it pushes itself to the front of the organization of its fathers, and attempts to cover the ground occupied by the Grand Army of the Republic for the past seventeen years, I can but feel that it is overstepping the object for which it was organized. The Camps in connection with many Posts have been highly commended to me, and I feel that it would be well for the present to leave the matter of the Sons of Veterans with the Post organizations.

REVIEW OF THE WORK.

The year has been one of great activity throughout the Department, while the demands upon the time of the Commander have been far in excess of that of any previous year. When I was elected your Commander, I said I would devote half my time to the work and the welfare of the organization and I find that I have far exceeded that limit. I have attended one hundred and forty-one Grand Army gatherings, represented the Department upon eleven other occasions, and have been present at the organization of four new Posts, the last of which I organized, making in all one hundred and fifty-six occasions upon which I have been able to represent the Department. I represented the Department out of the State at Denver, Col., Weirs, N.H., and New York City upon the anniversary of Evacuation Day. I have visited every section of the State, and have met my comrades in some manner from every Post of the Department. I have given particular attention to the western part of the State, and have visited different Posts in that section, where I could most conveniently get the comrades together, eleven times, and with good results, three Posts having been organized within a short time. I feel that the western part of the State is the recruiting ground for our organization in the future, there being many places where Posts might be established with every prospect of success. While these visitations have required continuous hard work, I am more than happy to be able to say that I made no engagement during the year that I did not fulfil. While the task at times was a hard one, my reception and treatment upon all occasions was such as to make me feel that I was doing a good work in thus meeting so many of my comrades, and relieved me of any weariness in the work. In all my labors in behalf of our organization—and I believe they have resulted in good—I have been encouraged by the evidences of satisfaction shown by the comrades upon meeting the Department Commander. I have been treated kindly, generously and courteously by all with whom I have come in contact. I have covered a great deal of territory, and travelled a great many miles to many different kinds of gatherings in the hope of benefiting a Post, and have found that in nearly all cases good has resulted.

While I have been doing this work the members of the Department Staff have not been idle. Senior Vice-Commander Billings has represented the Department upon nearly every occasion when I was unable to attend, was with me upon several occasions, and has cheerfully performed any duty assigned to him. For his faithful and loyal support during the year I feel truly grateful.

To the Council of Administration of the year 1883 a word of more than ordinary commendation is due. Of the fifteen mem-

bers, fourteen have been present at every meeting. Of the five elective members, not one has been absent during the year. I believe this record surpasses that of any of its predecessors, and I thank them for the interest manifested at all times.

Entering upon my duties with an Assistant Adjutant-General comparatively new to the business, and one with whom I had but little acquaintance, I naturally felt anxious about that office; but that anxiety was soon dispelled, and if there is one thing more than another that I congratulate myself upon today it is the fact that I selected Alfred C. Monroe as Assistant Adjutant-General. When I perused the books of our Department during the past week and saw the neat, clean and handsome manner in which they had been kept, I felt that every comrade of the Department should see the work to appreciate it. His reports are always among the first to reach National Headquarters and never come back for corrections. His correspondence has always been speedily attended to and his work always cleared up during hours which should be his own. As a faithful, prompt and reliable officer I have highly appreciated him, and the successful management of the affairs of the Department during the year are in a great measure due to his efficiency as Assistant Adjutant-General.

No one can realize the amount of work required in the Assistant Adjutant-General's office at the present time, and I would urgently recommend that two hundred dollars be appropriated for additional clerical hire during the year, as in the past two years.

The affairs of the Quartermaster's Department have been ably looked after by Asst. Q.M.-Gen. Charles O. Fellows, who has been Quartermaster not only in name but in reality. He has given time and attention to the duties of the office, and has been a most valuable member of my official staff.

I cannot speak too highly of the services of the Department Inspector, Horace A. Sawyer, through whose care and watchfulness over the affairs of his Department, every Post has been inspected. He has organized most of the new Posts, and has devoted a great deal of time to the duties of his office.

To Chief Mustering Officer A. M. Lunt, who assumed the duties of his office upon the retirement of Comrade Gibbs, I am under obligations for the faithful performance, not only of the duties of that office, but of those which had already been assigned to him as an Aide-de-Camp. For the deep interest he has taken in some of the small Posts which were assigned to him, and which I am satisfied that he saved from dissolution, he has my warmest thanks.

To every member of the Staff, whether official or personal, I desire to express my heartfelt gratitude for their hearty co-operation in everything that pertained to the welfare of our

organization. I have ever found a ready and a cheerful compliance with any demand made upon my personal Staff, and I separate from them with the gratification of knowing that I selected as my Staff, workers in the cause of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Outside of the Department officers, there is one to whom I feel greatly indebted for the active interest he has taken in the success of the Department during the year. While many have been willing to aid in the good work, Past Department Commander George H. Patch has kindly represented me on several occasions when the Staff were all otherwise engaged, on one occasion going to the extreme western part of the State. I appreciated his services upon every occasion and am glad to publicly acknowledge them at this time.

And now, comrades, that the work of the year has been done, and another will assume the duties, I desire to speak of a matter in connection with the Department officers. You are well aware that the calls for the Department Commander are very numerous, and that the demands upon his time are very great, and that in travelling over the State he must incur considerable expense. He is called upon to visit the small Posts as well as the large, and goes to many places where the Posts would never be benefited by his visits if compelled to pay his expenses, because many Posts are not in a condition to do so. He also attends camp-fires, fairs, etc., where Posts never think of paying his travelling expenses, though amply able to do so. Many comrades think that the expenses of the Department officers are paid by headquarters. This is a mistake. No expenses, except for inspection and forming new Posts, are paid by the Department, and all the visitations made by the Commander and Staff during the past year, except those mentioned, have not cost the Department one cent. I speak of this matter plainly, believing it is the duty of some retiring Commander to do so; and I would now urgently recommend that a sum, not exceeding say three hundred dollars, be appropriated by this Encampment to defray the actual travelling expenses of the Department Commander when attending "missionary" or other meetings, by which the Department is to be benefited. I would further recommend that the travelling expenses of the Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General, in attending the National Encampment, be paid by the Department. It is necessary that those officers should be present at the National Encampment, and we should pay their travelling expenses while we are able to do so. If some such course as this is not adopted the day is coming when but few men can afford to be Department Commanders; but I hope the day will never come, comrades, when the choice of our Department Encampment for Commander will have to decline because he is too poor to do the work necessary for the position.

The Department officers who will present their reports to you tonight have taken great pains in their preparation, and they are full of interest to every comrade who has at heart the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic.

CONCLUSION.

Comrades, when I accepted the high office to which I was chosen at the last annual Encampment, I was deeply sensible of the high honor then conferred, and promised that I would be faithful to the duties imposed upon me, trusting that I would not disappoint you or forfeit your regard and sympathy. While I have served you less efficiently than I wished, the evidence is before you today that I have endeavored to fulfil my promise. I assure you that I shall take my place in the ranks with as much pride as when assuming command of the Department, and shall, as a comrade, labor with the same zeal to promote and advance the cause so dear to us all.

I earnestly appeal to every comrade of this Encampment to give the new Commander his hearty and cordial support. Let us press forward in the good work, ever doing our utmost to bring into our ranks every worthy soldier and sailor who wore the blue. While rejoicing that the influence and blessings of our beloved comradeship has been extended to so many, I would fain hope that every soldier who stood side by side in the days of trial and danger might unite with us now in the perpetuation of those sacred associations under the banner of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

In conclusion, my comrades, I thank you again and again for the honor conferred, for many marks of your confidence and esteem, and for your generous and hearty support, without which my efforts would have been futile indeed. It has been my earnest endeavor to so conduct the affairs of the Department as to reflect credit upon us all, and while the labors of the year have been arduous at times, if I have conducted the affairs of our glorious Department to the satisfaction of my comrades, I am amply repaid for all that I have done.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1884.

Department Commander and Comrades: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report, and as I have prepared several tabulated reports, I will not take up your valuable time by any preliminary remarks.

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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1882 | 148 |
| “ Comrades reported same date | 12,410 |
| “ Posts, Dec. 31, 1883 | 160 |
| “ Comrades reported same date | 14,393 |
| Total gain during the year of | 1,983 |

The net gain, by quarters, is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz.: —

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| First quarter, ending March 31 | 512 |
| Second quarter, ending June 30 | 849 |
| Third quarter, ending Sept. 30 | 331 |
| Fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31 | 291 |
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| | 1,983 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Number of comrades in good standing, Dec. 31, 1882 | 12,410 |
| “ “ gained by muster-in | 2,372 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 243 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement | 1,768 |
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| Total number gained | 4,383 |
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| Aggregate | 16,793 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 169 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 60 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 289 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 1,876 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge | 6 |
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| Total loss | 2,400 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 1,983 |
| Adding to this the number of charter members of the two Posts organized last week | 81 |
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| We have a gain of | 2,064 |

I herewith present a detailed report of the changes that have occurred in each Post the past year.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1883.

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | Number remaining in good standing | |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Dis- charged | | Total Loss |
| Wm. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 150 | 30 | 1 | 17 | 48 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 16 | .... | 26 | 172 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 147 | 12 | 8 | 3 | 23 | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | .... | 4 | 166 |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 170 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 12 | 7 | .... | 5 | 9 | .... | 21 | 161 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 56 | 4 | .... | .... | 9 | .... | 2 | 1 | 11 | .... | 14 | 51 |
| Gen. Lander..... | 5 | 794 | 57 | 15 | 161 | 233 | 13 | .... | 2 | 174 | 3 | 192 | 835 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 47 | .... | .... | 7 | 7 | .... | .... | 6 | 4 | .... | 10 | 44 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 179 | 53 | 4 | 25 | 82 | 3 | .... | 7 | 33 | .... | 43 | 218 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 58 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | 64 |
| Reno..... | 9 | 65 | 7 | 2 | 15 | 24 | 1 | .... | 4 | 10 | .... | 15 | 74 |
| Geo. H. Ward..... | 10 | 453 | 47 | 5 | 22 | 74 | 7 | .... | 2 | .... | .... | 9 | 518 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 83 | 16 | 4 | 21 | 41 | 2 | .... | .... | 5 | .... | 7 | 117 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 155 | 31 | 7 | 6 | 44 | .... | .... | .... | 12 | .... | 12 | 187 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 63 | 19 | 2 | 33 | 54 | .... | .... | 1 | 3 | .... | 4 | 113 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 22 | 12 | 2 | .... | 14 | .... | 1 | 3 | 2 | .... | 6 | 30 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 260 | 46 | 7 | 15 | 68 | 4 | .... | 15 | 25 | .... | 44 | 284 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 340 | 68 | 8 | 7 | 83 | 3 | .... | 1 | 11 | .... | 15 | 408 |
| Gen. Sedgwick..... | 17 | 61 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 1 | .... | 4 | 8 | .... | 14 | 58 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 33 | 4 | .... | 23 | 27 | 1 | .... | 4 | 20 | .... | 26 | 34 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 187 | 25 | 8 | 14 | 47 | .... | .... | 2 | 9 | .... | 19 | 215 |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 25 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 25 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 57 | 8 | 4 | .... | 12 | 1 | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | 5 | 64 |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 63 | 21 | 3 | 21 | 45 | 1 | .... | .... | 9 | .... | 10 | 98 |
| Jos. Hooker..... | 23 | 86 | 15 | 1 | 12 | 28 | 3 | .... | 2 | 4 | .... | 15 | 99 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 33 | 22 | .... | 7 | 29 | 1 | .... | 3 | 5 | .... | 9 | 53 |
| H. H. Legg..... | 25 | 28 | 4 | .... | 2 | 6 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | 30 |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 106 | 15 | 3 | 5 | 23 | 1 | .... | 3 | 7 | .... | 11 | 118 |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | 50 | 8 | .... | 2 | 10 | .... | .... | 2 | 11 | .... | 13 | 47 |
| Gen. D. Wells..... | 28 | 27 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 13 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 38 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 86 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 1 | .... | 3 | 2 | .... | 16 | 88 |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 146 | 37 | 6 | 39 | 82 | 4 | .... | 5 | 46 | .... | 55 | 173 |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 48 | 13 | .... | .... | 13 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 2 | 59 |
| Washington..... | 32 | 85 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 10 | .... | .... | 5 | 19 | .... | 24 | 71 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 82 | 1 | .... | 5 | 6 | .... | 9 | 8 | 10 | .... | 27 | 61 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 41 | 12 | 1 | 140 | 153 | 3 | .... | 1 | 6 | 184 | 194 | 200 |
| Theo. Winthrop..... | 35 | 391 | 42 | 4 | 53 | 99 | 8 | .... | 13 | 59 | .... | 81 | 409 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 46 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 | .... | .... | 1 | 6 | .... | 7 | 47 |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 102 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 2 | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 5 | 108 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 35 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 39 |
| Needham..... | 39 | 269 | 28 | 2 | 10 | 40 | 3 | .... | 1 | 3 | 11 | 18 | 321 |
| Hiram G. Berry..... | 40 | 94 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 1 | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | 2 | 100 |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 129 | 26 | .... | .... | 26 | .... | .... | 1 | 10 | .... | 11 | 144 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 236 | 44 | 4 | 30 | 78 | 6 | .... | 6 | 5 | .... | 17 | 297 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 114 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 15 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 128 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 34 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | 33 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 110 | 28 | 1 | 6 | 35 | 5 | .... | .... | 11 | .... | 16 | 129 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 170 | 26 | 6 | 22 | 54 | 2 | .... | 4 | 28 | .... | 34 | 190 |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 171 | 46 | 6 | 90 | 142 | .... | .... | 1 | 98 | 1 | 100 | 213 |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 30 | .... | 2 | 1 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 31 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 222 | 31 | 1 | 3 | 35 | 2 | .... | 1 | 1 | 10 | 14 | 243 |
| Union..... | 50 | 134 | 11 | 1 | 10 | 22 | 1 | .... | .... | 20 | .... | 21 | 135 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 55 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 1 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | 3 | 63 |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 48 | 6 | .... | 3 | 9 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | 55 |
| C. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 101 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 11 | .... | .... | 7 | 1 | .... | 8 | 104 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 23 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 22 |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | 22 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 12 | .... | 12 | 10 |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 76 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 3 | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 6 | 91 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 109 | 24 | .... | 13 | 37 | 2 | .... | 4 | 9 | .... | 15 | 131 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 214 | .... | .... | 416 | 416 | 2 | .... | 2 | 356 | 1 | 361 | 269 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 26 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | .... | .... | 24 |

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF ASST. ADJT.-GENERAL—Continued.

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 46 | 11 | ... | ... | 11 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 55 |
| Gen. Lyon..... | 61 | 87 | 5 | ... | 7 | 12 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | ... | 9 | 90 |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 104 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 29 | ... | 29 | 86 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 68 | 32 | 2 | 10 | 44 | 1 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 5 | 107 |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 68 | 16 | 1 | 7 | 24 | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 6 | 86 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 41 | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 47 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 93 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | 6 | ... | 9 | 87 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 37 | 2 | ... | 4 | 6 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 40 |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 163 | 59 | 9 | 15 | 83 | 1 | 2 | ... | 14 | ... | 17 | 229 |
| Jos. P. Rice..... | 69 | 28 | ... | 2 | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 30 |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 51 | 19 | ... | 13 | 32 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 10 | ... | 24 | 59 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 84 | 15 | 1 | 8 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | ... | 12 | 96 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 50 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 14 | ... | ... | 2 | 11 | ... | 13 | 51 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 100 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 100 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 102 | 2 | ... | 4 | 6 | ... | 1 | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 101 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 103 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 13 | 2 | ... | ... | 17 | ... | 19 | 91 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 87 | 18 | 6 | ... | 23 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 6 | 110 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 |
| David Russell..... | 78 | 108 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 23 | 1 | ... | 2 | 15 | ... | 18 | 113 |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 53 | 21 | 2 | 10 | 33 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | 14 | 72 |
| Arthur G. Briscoe..... | 80 | 70 | 15 | 4 | ... | 19 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 87 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 42 | ... | ... | 13 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 17 | ... | 17 | 38 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 142 | 24 | ... | 15 | 39 | 2 | ... | 1 | 11 | ... | 14 | 167 |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 34 | ... | 4 | 4 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 9 | 29 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 20 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 6 | 29 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 34 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 32 |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 46 | 61 | 3 | ... | 64 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 109 |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 34 | 15 | 1 | 11 | 27 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 59 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 65 | 15 | 2 | 9 | 26 | 2 | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | 6 | 85 |
| J. H. Chipman..... | 89 | 160 | 15 | 3 | 58 | 76 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 54 | ... | 63 | 173 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 99 | 27 | 3 | 20 | 50 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 12 | ... | 18 | 131 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 32 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 7 | ... | 3 | ... | 7 | ... | 10 | 29 |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 49 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 51 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 48 | 10 | ... | 1 | 11 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 56 |
| Revere..... | 94 | 63 | 6 | ... | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 66 |
| E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | 24 | 15 | 1 | 11 | 27 | ... | ... | 3 | 5 | ... | 8 | 43 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 24 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 27 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 55 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | ... | 10 | 50 |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | ... | 27 | 1 | ... | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28 |
| W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 58 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | 54 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 67 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 16 | 3 | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 14 | 69 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 48 | ... | ... | 20 | 20 | ... | ... | ... | 28 | ... | 28 | 40 |
| H. F. Walcott..... | 102 | 56 | 2 | ... | 2 | 4 | 1 | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 8 | 51 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 56 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 18 | 1 | ... | 3 | 10 | ... | 14 | 60 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 64 | 3 | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 64 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 38 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 37 |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 42 | 11 | ... | ... | 11 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 50 |
| S. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 40 | 8 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 46 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 42 | 4 | ... | 31 | 35 | ... | ... | 1 | 33 | ... | 34 | 43 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 18 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 32 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 46 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 4 | 45 |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 39 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 38 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 28 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 27 |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 76 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 6 | 81 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 50 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 1 | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 7 | 57 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 41 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 41 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 47 | 5 | 2 | 34 | 41 | ... | 1 | ... | 32 | ... | 33 | 55 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 20 | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 37 | 1 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 37 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 22 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 33 |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 142 | 47 | 8 | ... | 55 | 3 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | 192 |

Of the 160 Posts comprising the Department, 125 have gained in membership, 7 have the same number as one year ago, and 28 have lost in number.

The Post making the largest per cent in gain is Ericsson Post No. 109 of East Templeton.

One hundred and sixty-nine comrades have died during the year, an excess over last year of twenty-four, reminding us that, as the years roll by, our ranks are being thinned, and the time is not far distant when the death rate will exceed the gain. It seems fitting that a roll should be prepared each year of the comrades who have been mustered out by death, and I would recommend that a memorial page for members of the Department Encampment, and one or more for comrades of Posts, be inserted in the printed proceedings. I would also suggest to Commanders of Posts to instruct their Adjutants, in making out their quarterly reports to Department Headquarters, to insert, under the name of each comrade lost during the quarter by death, his company, regiment or ship, as I feel we owe this slight tribute to their memory.

The increased expenditure for charity also reminds us that, as our comrades grow older, they become less able to care for themselves, and the demands upon our Relief Funds will be greater. It is well for us now, in the time of our prosperity and strength, to add to these funds by every available and honorable means.

While the large amount expended for the relief of our distressed comrades and their families indicates suffering and want, it is gratifying to know that it is promptly relieved, and that the charity of the Grand Army of the Republic is not a mere profession, but a practice.

Two Posts have not sent in their reports for the fourth quarter; basing their number, in good standing, the same as reported for third quarter, the membership of the Department would be today 14,505.

Number of rejections during the year, 78.

POSTS.

Fourteen new Posts have been mustered during the year, as follows, viz. :—

Henry Bryant Post No. 98 of Cohasset; mustered Jan. 12, 1883; charter members, 27. Armstrong Post No. 150 of Montague; mustered Jan. 12, 1883; charter members, 39. O. H. P. Sargent Post No. 152 of Essex; mustered Jan. 22, 1883; charter members, 44. Gilman C. Parker Post No. 153 of Winchendon; mustered March 6, 1883; charter members, 51. Wm. H. Freeman Post No. 129 of Millville; mustered April 25, 1883; charter members, 27. Martha Sever Post No. 154 of Kingston;

mustered May 24, 1883; charter members, 29. Marcus Keep Post No. 155 of Monson; mustered May 26, 1883; charter members, 48. Jas. A. Perkins Post No. 156 of Everett; mustered June 14, 1883; charter members, 32. Elbridge B. Piper Post No. 157 of Walpole; mustered July 21, 1883; charter members, 25. Capt. E. T. Dresser Post No. 158 of Housatonic; mustered Aug. 23, 1883; charter members, 26. John A. Hawes Post No. 159 of East Boston; mustered Sept. 7, 1883; charter members, 64; Alanson Hamilton Post No. 160 of W. Brookfield; mustered Sept. 18, 1883; charter members, 25. Woburn Post No. 161 of Woburn; mustered Jan. 23, 1884; charter members, 45. Manton E. Taft Post No. 162 of Turner's Falls; mustered Jan. 25, 1884; charter members, 36.

Ten of these, with a charter membership of 408, have been mustered in during your administration. Posts 98, 150 and 152 were mustered in during the administration of Past Department Commander Patch. These Posts are, with one exception, reported in good condition.

The gain of Posts, by counties, is as follows:—Berkshire, one; Essex, one; Franklin, two; Hampden, one; Middlesex, two; Norfolk, two; Plymouth, one; Suffolk, one; Worcester, three.

I herewith present a tabulated report, giving in detail the strength of each county, number of each Post, and number of members, with date of charter:—

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 79, North Adams, | 72, | Mar. 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 126, | Mar. 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 61, | June 12, 1870 |
| 158, Housatonic, | 26, | Aug. 23, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 4; members, 285. | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 178, | Oct. 14, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 161, | Jan. 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 190, | Jan. 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 55, | Feb. 29, 1868 |
| 55, Taunton, | 10, | Feb. 5, 1872 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 104, | June 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 18, | April 27, 1881 |
| Total—Posts, 7; members, 716. | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 5, Lynn, | 835, | Feb. 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 200, | Nov. 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 321, | Dec. 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 129, | Jan. 21, 1880 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 213, | Jan. 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 243, | Feb. 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 135, | April 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 40, | Sept. 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 167, | Mar. 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 173, | June 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 131, | June 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 43, | June 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 54, | April 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 69, | Feb. 1, 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 40, | July 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 59, | Dec. 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 43, | Aug. 18, 1869 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 57, | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 37, | Jan. 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 51, | Mar. 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 76, | Jan. 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 19, | Jan. 10, 1874 |
| 152, Essex, | 43, | Jan. 22, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 23; members, 3,169. | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 17, Orange, | 58, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 25, | March 4, 1875 |
| 84, South Deerfield, | 29, | April 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 56, | June 15, 1869 |
| 150, Montague, | 39, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 5; members, 207. | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 16, Springfield, | 408, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 144, | Jan. 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 96, | Nov. 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 60, | Oct. 27, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 46, | July 18, 1881 |
| 155, Monson, | 49, | May 26, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 6; members, 803. | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 85, Ware, | 32, | May 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 109, | Aug. 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 50, | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 78, | Oct. 31, 1882 |
| Total—Posts, 4; members, 269. | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 4, Melrose, | 51, | Feb. 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 44, | March 2, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 74, | May 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 187, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 30, | July, 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 34, | Aug. 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 88, | Oct. 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridge, | 173, | Oct. 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 61, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 47, | May 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 100, | Oct. 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 297, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 128, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 31, | Jan. 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 91, | June 26, 1868 |
| 57, E. Cambridge, | 131, | June 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 86, | July 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 107, | July 23, 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 87, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 91, | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 38, | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 115, Groton, | 41, | July 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 33, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 192, | Oct. 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 56, | May 2, 1883 |
| 139, Somerville, | 55, | Aug. 18, 1870 |
| 142, Framingham, | 37, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 28, | May 22, 1872 |
| 156, Everett, | 32, | June 14, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 29; members, 2,470. | | |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 269, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 55, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 51, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 59, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 85, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 29, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 66, | June 24, 1869 |
| 98, Cohasset, | 28, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 102, Milton, | 51, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 45, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 24, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 131, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 30, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 33, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 44, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 68, | May 22, 1871 |
| 157, Walpole, | 27, | July 21, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 17; members, 1,067. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 64, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 115, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 59, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 100, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 101, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 110, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 113, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 31, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 64, | July 29, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 38, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 27, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 20, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 29, | June 11, 1870 |
| 154, Kingston, | 30, | May 24, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 14; members, 899. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 166, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 218, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 117, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 284, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 64, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 99, | Sept. 17, 1867 |
| 26, Roxbury, | 118, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 71, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 409, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 229, | Oct. 8, 1868 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 92, Brighton, | 51, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 81, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 37, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 44, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 159, East Boston, | 79, | Sept. 7, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 2,067. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 518, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 215, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 98, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 53, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 30, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 47, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 38, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 108, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 39, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 33, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 63, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 104, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 22, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 24, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 90, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 86, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 47, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 30, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 59, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 24, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 87, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 27, | June 28, 1869 |
| 105, Upton, | 37, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 32, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 55, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 77, | June 1, 1870 |
| 129, Millville, | 27, | April 25, 1883 |
| 131, Leicester, | 49, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 23, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 23, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 42, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 77, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 153, Winchendon, | 50, | Mar. 6, 1883 |
| 160, W. Brookfield, | 26, | Sept. 18, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 34; members, 2,370. | | |

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

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|--------------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 37, | Feb. 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 44, | Mar. 15, 1882 |
| Total — Posts, 2; members, 81. | | |

REPORTS.

In General Orders, No. 7, I called the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports of the Adjutant and Quartermaster before forwarding them to Department Headquarters, as much valuable time is lost in being obliged to return them for correction. I am happy to say great improvement has been made in this respect, as I have had very few reports to return the last quarter, and I trust the newly elected Commanders will give this matter their attention, and would suggest that Adjutants of Posts require their Sergeant-Majors to take charge of all applications for membership after they have been acted upon, and on the night the applicants are mustered, he make the proper entry in the descriptive book, also enter them on the blank for quarterly report, so that when the last meeting in the quarter has closed, the recapitulation can be made, and reports forwarded without delay.

HEADQUARTERS.

The work devolving upon the Assistant Adjutant-General of a Department as large and well conducted as ours is much greater than most comrades realize; the addition of new Posts and the many changes made by the election of new Post Commanders each year necessarily increases it. Many questions arise, new, no doubt, to those who send them to headquarters for answer, yet in almost every case these questions are answered in the Rules and Regulations or the Manual. Many calls are made upon him to attend camp-fires or open fairs, which would afford him much pleasure, but he is obliged to decline. From my one year's experience, I assure you the Assistant Adjutant-General, in order to properly discharge his duties, requires all his time, for the work at headquarters should not be slighted or allowed to accumulate. The amount of business transacted has averaged with past years. The correspondence has been somewhat larger, and to conduct this correspondence has required 2,500 letterheads, 2,100 postal cards and \$113 worth of postage stamps. All letters received have been filed, numbered and indexed. There have been issued during the year thirteen General Orders, 126 Special Orders and six circulars.

To Comrade Fellows, the Assistant Quartermaster-General, I am greatly indebted for valuable suggestions. From the day of his appointment, he has been almost a daily visitor in the office, discharging his duties in an intelligent and cheerful manner, thereby greatly assisting me in my labors. I trust the friendship formed in our official life will continue to the end of time. In closing, I return my thanks to the officers of Posts and comrades for the courtesy they have shown me in my official relations with

them, and to the Department Commander and the members of his Staff for the assistance given me in the discharge of my duties. I cannot close, Commander, without publicly thanking you for your uniform and unselfish kindness during the past year. Your cheerful compliance in filling all the engagements I have made for you gave testimony not only of your interest in my work, but proved your devotion to our Order. I thank you for the confidence reposed in me, and trust our friendship will be lasting, and that your life-work may be as successful as your G.A.R. work has been the past year.

I have the honor to be yours in F., C. and L.,

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

The Assistant Adjutant-General read the following telegram: —

TRENTON, N.J., Jan. 30, 1884.

GEORGE S. EVANS, *Commander Dept. of Mass. G.A.R.*,
Boston.

New Jersey sends greeting to Grand Army comrades of your State.

GEO B FIELDER,
Commander Department New Jersey.

The following letter was received shortly after the Convention of 1883, in response to a communication from Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch: —

HELENA, MONT, Feb. 2, 1883.

GEO. S. EVANS, ESQ., *Commander Dept. Mass., G.A.R.*

My Dear Department Commander: With my cordial and sincere congratulations upon your flattering election as Commander of our Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, I beg leave to thank, through you, my friends and comrades, delegates of the late brilliant Encampment, for the very kind sentiments expressed in the resolutions proposed by the retiring Commander and unanimously adopted.

Sincerely, gratefully, tenderly, I reciprocate their good wishes; and I shall never forget that we, SOLDIERS, are bound together by the strongest ties that exist among men.

Faithfully yours in F., C. and L.,

HORACE BINNEY SARGENT,
Past Department Commander.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1884.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

Comrade: In compliance with the requirements of our Order I herewith submit my report of the doings of the Assistant Quartermaster-General's Department from Feb. 1, 1883, to Jan. 30, 1884:—

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1883. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | | \$683 71 |
| Received for dues first quarter, 1883 | | |
| " " second quarter, 1883 | | 1,021 33 |
| " " third quarter, 1883 | | 1,070 70 |
| " " fourth quarter, 1883 | | 1,117 84 |
| " " books and blanks | | 541 17 |
| " " badges | | 1,856 65 |
| " " sundries | | 143 07 |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$6,434 47</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$1,520 75 |
| " " " dues | 404 43 |
| " rent and care of office | 404 30 |
| " salaries | 1,148 82 |
| " inspection expenses | 104 85 |
| " printing | 677 75 |
| " sundries (postage stamps and cards, telegrams, express and office expenses) | 464 46 |
| " organizing new Posts | 15 33 |
| " testimonial to Commander Meech | 75 00 |
| " fitting up Department Headquarters | 259 09 |
| Total expenditures | <u>\$5,074 78</u> |
| Balance to new account | <u>\$1,359 69</u> |
| Vouchers cover the expenses. | |

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 30, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1884. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | | \$1,359 69 |
| Received for dues | | 1,149 76 |
| " " books and blanks | | 83 51 |
| " " badges | | 174 60 |
| " " sundries | | 30 60 |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$2,798 16</u> |
| <i>Carried forward</i> | | <u>\$2,798 16</u> |

Brought forward \$2,798 16

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$166 10 | |
| “ “ dues | 145 98 | |
| “ rent and care of office | 103 08 | |
| “ salaries | 151 18 | |
| “ inspection expenses | 312 74 | |
| “ printing | 71 44 | |
| “ sundries | 41 20 | |
| “ stove, etc., for headquarters | 37 50 | |
| “ organizing new Posts | 24 63 | |
| Total expenditures | | \$1,053 85 |
| Balance to new account | | \$1,741 31 |

ASSETS.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Cash on hand | \$1,744 31 | |
| Value of supplies on hand | 382 18 | |
| Due from Posts for supplies sent C.O.D. | 54 10 | |
| Office furniture | 400 00 | |
| Colors | 30 00 | |
| Total assets | | \$2,610 59 |

AND NO LIABILITIES.

The financial condition of the Department is more satisfactory than it has been for several years, owing largely to the system, established two years ago, requiring supplies to Posts to be paid for on delivery, and the Posts being more prompt in their remittance of dues. For several years prior to 1881 the Department was in debt, owing to the delinquency in the payment for supplies and dues by Posts. The present condition of our financial affairs is certainly most gratifying.

The present headquarters of this Department is better adapted for the purpose than any before used by this Department. Easy of access and centrally located near cars running to every railroad depot, its convenience is appreciated by all comrades.

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Assistant Adjutant-General for the able assistance and courteous treatment I have always received at his hands, also, to all other comrades with whom I have come in contact.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

C. O. FELLOWS,

Assistant Quartermaster-General.

The following table shows supplies furnished by Department Headquarters:—

SUPPLIES FURNISHED BY DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, MASS., G.A.R.

| | Applications. | Odes. | Discharges. | Transfers. | Leaves. | Rules and Regulations. | Flag Ribbons. | Manuals. | Services. | Badges. | Sets Rituals. | Files Gen. Orders. | Descriptive Books. | Receipt Books. | Record Books. | Cash Books. | Ledgers. | Roll. | Black. | Order on Q. M. | S. Receipts. | Notification Elections. | Notification Dues. | Electros, No. 1. | Electros, No. 2. |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------|-------------|------------|---------|------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|----------|-------|--------|----------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| On hand Feb. 1, 1883..... | 800 | 93 | 44 | ... | 87 | 181 | 269 | 21 | 42 | 38 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 26 | 2 | 5 | 25 | 110 | 600 | 3000 | 7 | 8 |
| Received since..... | 10,378 | 800 | 250 | 600 | 250 | 2300 | 432 | 30 | 60 | 3120 | 80 | 14 | 27 | 57 | 38 | 72 | | 25 | 25 | | | 2000 | | | 10 |
| Total received..... | 11,178 | 893 | 294 | 600 | 337 | 2481 | 701 | 51 | 102 | 3158 | 92 | 26 | 38 | 60 | 42 | 82 | 26 | 27 | 30 | 25 | 110 | 2600 | 3000 | 7 | 18 |
| Total issued..... | 9,040 | 756 | 204 | 526 | 329 | 2359 | 387 | 50 | 98 | 2938 | 55 | 20 | 16 | 49 | 24 | 65 | 18 | 22 | 18 | 25 | 89 | 1420 | 2900 | 1 | 8 |
| Balance on hand | 2,138 | 137 | 90 | 74 | 8 | 122 | 314 | 1 | 4 | 220 | 37 | 6 | 22 | 11 | 18 | 17 | 8 | 5 | 12 | | 21 | 1180 | 100 | 6 | 10 |

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1883.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor herewith to submit the report in duplicate of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending Sept. 30, 1883.

The Department at this time numbers 160 Posts. New Posts have been organized during the year as follows: 98, Cohasset; 150, Montague; 152, Essex; 153, Winchendon; 129, Millville; 154, Kingston; 155, Monson; 156, Everett; 157, Walpole; 158, Housatonic; 159, East Boston; 160, West Brookfield.

Of the 160 Posts in the Department it is a pleasure for me to report that all have been inspected.

The 160 Posts inspected report 13,896 comrades in good standing, a gain of 1,608 over the Inspector's report of last year.

Two Posts number over 500 comrades; Post 5 of Lynn, 830; Post 10 of Worcester, 511; one Post numbers over 400; Post 35 of Chelsea, 402; two Posts number between 300 and 400; Post 16 of Springfield, 394; Post 39 of Lawrence, 320; ten Posts number between 200 and 300, namely: Posts 7 and 15 of Boston, 19 of Fitchburg, 34 of Salem, 42 of Lowell, 47 of Haverhill, 49 of Newburyport, 58 of Weymouth, and 68 of Dorchester; nine Posts number between 150 and 200; twenty Posts number between 100 and 150; nineteen Posts number between 75 and 100; twenty-nine Posts number between 50 and 75; fifty-eight Posts number between 25 and 50; eight Posts number between 20 and 25; two Posts are reported with less than 20 comrades.

Forty-six Posts are reported in excellent condition, 78 in good condition, 26 in fair condition, and 9 in poor condition.

One hundred and thirty-three Posts report 992 muskets owned by them; 26 report having no muskets.

The work of the Ritual is committed to memory or

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| properly performed in | 92 | Posts |
| The officers and guards are uniformed and equipped in | 113 | " |
| Comrades are uniformed and equipped in | 88 | " |
| Officers are regular in attendance in | 146 | " |
| Comrades are regular in attendance in | 127 | " |
| They exhibit an interest in the Post in | 142 | " |
| The records are complete and well kept in | 154 | " |
| Orders are received and regularly read in | 158 | " |
| They are duly obeyed in | 158 | " |
| Orders from headquarters are missing in | 8 | " |
| All reports and dues have been forwarded from | 159 | " |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing. | Is the work in the Ritual properly performed? | Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped? | Are the members uniformed and equipped? | How many muskets are owned by the Post? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | Are the members regular in their attendance? | Do they exhibit an interest in the Post? | Are all the records complete and well kept? | Are orders received regularly and read to the Post? |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Wm. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 170 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 158 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 163 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 50 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 830 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 43 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 215 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. W. Peirce..... | 8 | 64 | No | Yes | No | 8 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reno..... | 9 | 79 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 511 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 112 | Yes | Yes | No | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 176 | No | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 106 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 32 | No | No | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 268 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 405 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 59 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 34 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 246 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 25 | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 66 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 99 | Yes | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 109 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 57 | No | No | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 30 | No | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 113 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 48 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 35 | No | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 90 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 175 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Washington..... | 32 | 71 | No | Yes | No | 4 | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 81 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 220 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 205 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 49 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 105 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 40 | Yes | No | No | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Needham..... | 39 | 320 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hiram G. Berry..... | 40 | 96 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 149 | No | Yes | No | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 289 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 128 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 33 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 185 | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 226 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 32 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 247 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Union..... | 50 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 65 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 106 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 22 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| I. D. Paul..... | 55 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 90 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 128 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 213 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 24 | Yes | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 56 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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| Are they duly observed? | Numbers of orders from National Headquarters missing. | Numbers of orders from Department Headquarters missing. | Have all reports and taxes been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in. | Amount charged for <i>per capita</i> taxes, quarterly. | Are benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes? | How much money is in the relief fund? | Is this money systematically dispensed? | Total amount expended for charity for year. | What are the prospects for the future? |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$1 00 | Yes | \$2 00 | Yes | \$ 878 99 | Yes | \$179 55 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 868 94 | Yes | 201 48 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 65 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,726 07 | Yes | 783 89 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 827 22 | Yes | 112 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 75 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,011 28 | Yes | 5,292 20 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 161 75 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 874 00 | Yes | 387 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 812 88 | Yes | 150 00 | Good |
| Yes | No. 2 | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,053 50 | Yes | 460 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 931 65 | Yes | 1,170 32 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 307 73 | Yes | 60 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,903 80 | Yes | 965 60 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 50 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,154 22 | Yes | 325 73 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 2 50 | Yes | 400 00 | Yes | 40 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 751 16 | Yes | 591 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 4,915 85 | Yes | 103 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 324 82 | Yes | 15 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 590 12 | Yes | 32 03 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,828 23 | Yes | 383 30 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 102 41 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 59 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 809 34 | Yes | 191 61 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 30 00 | Yes | 511 67 | Excellent |
| Yes | 9 & 10 | No. 5 | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 20 00 | Yes | 29 65 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 229 35 | Yes | 82 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | 7 | 1 | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 786 31 | Yes | 129 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 21 00 | Yes | 50 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 77 40 | Yes | 58 25 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,287 59 | Yes | 502 31 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | No | ..... | ..... | 706 85 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,152 95 | Yes | 75 89 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | ..... | Yes | 95 25 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 575 34 | Yes | 53 14 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 1 00 | Yes | 60 56 | Yes | 744 37 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 4,755 00 | Yes | 1,528 29 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,100 00 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 37½ | No | ..... | Yes | 545 80 | Yes | 64 87 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 580 00 | Yes | 36 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 2,500 00 | Yes | 1,085 58 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 75 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,027 15 | Yes | 224 77 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 37½ | No | ..... | Yes | 495 25 | Yes | 23 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,067 69 | Yes | 1,541 87 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 3,526 33 | Yes | 402 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 97 60 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 912 06 | Yes | 208 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 106 00 | Yes | 172 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 5 00 | No | ..... | ..... | 861 40 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 541 05 | Yes | 30 80 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 112 22 | Yes | 314 25 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 873 50 | Yes | 656 32 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 114 57 | Yes | 48 52 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 215 73 | Yes | 198 14 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 680 95 | Yes | 106 01 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 174 55 | Yes | 31 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 1,250 32 | Yes | 611 93 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 119 14 | Yes | 314 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 15 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 12,569 59 | Yes | 728 85 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 390 96 | Yes | 20 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 75 | 25 | No | | Yes | 395 00 | Yes | 19 25 | Fair |

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|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 93 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 107 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 45 | No | Yes | Yes | 3 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 89 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Allen..... | 67 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 233 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | 29 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 57 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 93 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 99 | No | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 101 | No | Yes | No | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 37 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 106 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 24 | No | No | No | 6 | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 125 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 60 | No | No | No | 12 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 86 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 38 | No | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 164 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 33 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 25 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 32 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 109 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer.... | 87 | 60 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. W. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 159 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ward..... | 90 | 131 | No | Yes | Yes | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 29 | No | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 51 | No | No | Yes | 2 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 53 | Yes | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Revere..... | 94 | 67 | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 42 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 28 | Yes | Yes | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 55 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | 28 | No | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 54 | No | Yes | Yes | 7 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 75 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 40 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 53 | No | Yes | No | 7 | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ofis Chapman..... | 103 | 61 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. Orson Fisk..... | 105 | 38 | No | No | No | 6 | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 51 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| S. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 40 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 43 | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 20 | No | No | No | 3 | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 39 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 27 | No | No | No | 4 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 80 | Yes | Yes | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 41 | No | No | No | None | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 21 | No | No | No | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 39 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 32 | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 190 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$ 50 | No | | Yes | \$2,107 93 | Yes | \$ 76 06 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | \$5 00 | Yes | 1,593 34 | Yes | 108 96 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 198 44 | Yes | 198 44 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 191 49 | Yes | 60 24 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 125 06 | Yes | 12 90 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 17 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | 2 00 | Yes | 644 07 | Yes | 175 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 1,577 03 | Yes | 343 65 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 33 44 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 109 48 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 110 17 | Good |
| Yes | 1 to 8 | 1 to 8 | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 481 42 | Yes | 416 78 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 190 75 | Yes | 50 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 774 40 | Yes | 237 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 75 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 826 87 | Yes | 213 07 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 456 32 | Yes | 260 87 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 236 03 | Yes | 52 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 800 00 | Yes | 611 88 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 779 32 | Yes | 206 13 | Good |
| Yes | 9 to 11 | 6 | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 2,055 00 | Yes | 18 90 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 2 50 | Yes | 749 61 | Yes | 157 35 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 75 | 75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 70 17 | Yes | 334 66 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 580 94 | Yes | 49 65 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 75 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 224 00 | Yes | 28 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 145 40 | Yes | 1 00 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 305 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 287 00 | Yes | 95 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 75 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 1,400 00 | Yes | 400 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,054 76 | Yes | 1,087 67 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 2,204 53 | Yes | 423 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 58 | No | ..... | Yes | 59 00 | Yes | 17 75 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 130 60 | Yes | 58 50 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | Yes | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,090 40 | Yes | 395 01 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 101 75 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 876 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 59 50 | Yes | 35 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | No. 4 | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 485 23 | Yes | 156 25 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | 503 30 | Yes | 257 95 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 83 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 145 00 | Yes | 110 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 545 22 | Yes | 45 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 10 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 446 89 | Yes | 20 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 320 00 | Yes | 20 33 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 28 08 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 850 50 | Yes | 166 51 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 940 23 | Yes | 86 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 64 69 | Yes | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 68 65 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 5 00 | 1 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 3,656 40 | Yes | 196 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 10 | No | ..... | Yes | 62 23 | Yes | 72 34 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 23 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 60 | 50 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 134 25 | Yes | 32 06 | Good |
| Yes | None | No. 1 | Yes | 3 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 416 00 | Yes | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 33 | No | ..... | Yes | 35 40 | Yes | 12 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 675 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 4 00 | Yes | 5,690 80 | Yes | 407 38 | Excellent |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of Members in good standing. | Is the work in the Ritual properly performed? | Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped? | Are the members uniformed and equipped? | How many muskets are owned by the Post? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | Are the members regular in their attendance? | Do they exhibit an interest in the Post? | Are all the records complete and well kept? | Are orders received regularly and read to the Post? |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 116 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Parker..... | 123 | 78 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 20 | No | Yes | Yes | 2 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 125 | No | Yes | Yes | 36 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 61 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 37 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 74 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| William H. Freeman..... | 129 | 41 | No | No | No | None | No | No | No | No | No |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 21 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 49 | Yes | * | * | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 35 | Yes | No | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| George H. Maintien..... | 133 | 34 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 38 | No | No | No | 4 | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 23 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 25 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 42 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 56 | Yes | Yes | * | 1 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 44 | Yes | Yes | No | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 77 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 43 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 47 | No | Yes | No | 12 | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 45 | No | No | No | None | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 67 | Yes | No | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 104 | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 19 | No | Yes | Yes | None | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 80 | Yes | No | Yes | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 25 | No | Yes | * | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns..... | 149 | 41 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 39 | No | No | No | 6 | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 19 | No | No | No | None | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| C. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 43 | Yes | No | No | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 49 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 32 | Yes | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Elbridge D. Piper..... | 157 | 28 | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| E. S. Dresser..... | 158 | 26 | No | No | No | None | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| John A. Hayes..... | 159 | 71 | Yes | No | No | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 26 | Yes | No | No | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

* Hats and Belts.

MASS. G.A.R., FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1883 — *Continued.*

| Are they duly observed? | Numbers of orders from National Headquarters missing. | Numbers of orders from Department Headquarters missing. | Have all reports and taxes been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in. | Amount charged for <i>per capita</i> taxes, quarterly. | Are benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes? | How much money is in the relief fund? | Is this money systematically dispensed? | Total amount expended for charity for year. | What are the prospects for the future? |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Yes | None | None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$1 50 | Yes | ..... | Yes | \$ 990 86 | Yes | \$595 40 | Good |
| Yes | No. 2 | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | Yes | \$4 00 | Yes | 279 63 | Yes | 168 99 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 433 13 | Yes | 53 50 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 310 93 | Yes | 139 72 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 50 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 60 00 | Yes | 60 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 230 51 | Yes | 45 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 60 | Yes | ..... | Yes | 380 00 | Yes | 20 00 | Fair |
| No | None | None | No | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 447 89 | Yes | 63 28 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 118 00 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 1,315 00 | Yes | 10 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 6 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 175 00 | Yes | 36 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 424 43 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 36 59 | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | ..... | Yes | 18 12 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 75 | No | ..... | Yes | 72 29 | Yes | 132 79 | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 363 88 | Yes | 45 00 | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 386 95 | Yes | 363 41 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 20 00 | Yes | 113 33 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | 2 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Fair |
| Yes | No. 4 | 5 & 7 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | Yes | 3 00 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 12 00 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 25 | No | ..... | Yes | 66 00 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | Poor |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 75 | 75 | Yes | ..... | No | 250 00 | No | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | Yes | 2 70 | Yes | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 4 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 00 | 25 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 1 50 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 60 | 75 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | Good |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| Yes | None | None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |

Weekly benefits are paid by 53 Posts, and thirty Posts are paying regular amounts averaging \$3.07½ per week, and twenty-three Posts paying such sums as the Post may vote in each case.

The Relief Fund is systematically expended in one hundred and twenty-six Posts.

The amount of money reported in the relief funds of the several Posts Sept. 30, 1883, is \$105,851.47, being an increase of \$16,570.97 over the report of last year.

The amount of money expended in relief for the year ending Sept. 30, 1883, is \$34,191.45, being an increase of \$5,761.92 over last report.

The largest amount reported in any one Relief Fund is \$12,569.59, by Post 58 of Weymouth.

The largest amount expended for charity is \$5,292.21, by Post 5 of Lynn.

The increase in membership during the last year has been thirteen per cent. The increase of money in relief funds over that of last year is nearly twenty per cent, while the increase in the amount expended from that source has been over twenty-three per cent.

The spring inspection found many of the Posts in poor condition to properly exemplify the work of the Ritual, the changes that have been made having just been promulgated, and many of the Post officers, especially in Posts in the smaller towns, putting a wrong construction upon the same, therefore it was not strange to find many Posts having as many different ways of performing the work. But the officers detailed as Assistant Inspectors attended faithfully to the duty assigned them, instructing where it was necessary, and I am happy to say that these instructions were faithfully followed and carried out, and today the several Posts in this Department are performing the work of the Ritual in a uniformity of manner that has never been excelled since the organization of the Department of the Grand Army in this State.

The system of spring visitation to Posts by Assistant Inspectors for the purpose of instruction, adopted by the previous administration, has been followed this year with good results. Many of the Posts reported in excellent or good condition can but admit that such a good result was in great part owing to the instruction and advice given them by their inspecting officer, and I earnestly recommend the continuance of this system.

In conclusion, comrades, I desire to convey to the officers detailed as Assistant Inspectors my high appreciation of their efforts in aiding and assisting me in performing the duties of the office to which I had been appointed, and to thank them for the kindness and courtesy shown me on all occasions when brought in official connection with them, also to the many comrades for that fraternity of feeling that has ever been manifested by them

towards me whenever my duties have called me in contact with them, and particularly to the Commander of the Department and the Assistant Adjutant-General, who have ever been ready with their aid and counsel, without which the success of my labors would have been in vain.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

HORACE A. SAWYER,
Inspector.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1884.

Commander and Comrades: Again we are assembled, at the close of another year, to greet each other in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

The year just passed has been a pleasant and prosperous one, and each one of us present has cause for thankfulness to Him who hath preserved the body and can save the soul. Commander, God hath preserved you, and each of your associates, at the head of the Department during the year, and as you have gone from place to place, meeting the various Posts of the Department, giving advice, encouragement and counsel, your labors have not been in vain, for large numbers have been added to our ranks, and the Department of Massachusetts is now in a most healthy and prosperous condition. But death, the enemy of all mankind, has been exceedingly busy in our midst. A Past Department Commander and a Past Department Chaplain have both succumbed to the grim messenger, and each has gone to his reward.

Past Department Commander John A. Hawes died at his residence in Fairhaven, March 10, 1883, aged sixty years. He was a comrade beloved, a good citizen, a warm friend and a generous-hearted man, and many now living have cause to bless his bounty, which was always given in a quiet manner. He leaves a wife, three daughters and a large circle of friends to mourn his loss.

A new Post in the Department has since been formed and called by his name, so that his memory shall still be green. May it be a burning and shining light, noted for its deeds of charity and valiant in its loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Again, on Thanksgiving Day, in the house of God, in the pulpit, in the attitude of prayer, without a moment's warning, fell back and died immediately one of earth's noblemen, Past

Department Chaplain Rev. Warren H. Cudworth, a member of Joseph Hooker Post No. 23 of East Boston. A man beloved by all, rich or poor, bond or free, Protestant or Catholic, each vied with the other to do him honor. And as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and its Department Chaplain, he had won the affection and admiration of every comrade with whom he became acquainted. None knew him but to love him. His life was a success. As a pastor, he was faithful and sympathetic; loving and kind in his dealings to all with whom he came in contact. A good man and a useful minister has fallen; but, though death came suddenly, it found him ready and waiting. He is now safe at home; he is a redeemed and happy soul in the paradise of God. May you, Commander, and you, my noble associates and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, follow him as he did his Master, and join him at last on the blest and shining shore, where sickness, sorrow or death can never enter. May this, comrades, be our happy portion.

Again, on the morning of July 31, all New England was startled with what seemed at first a very probable story, namely, that the train, on which were the delegates of the various States returning from the National Encampment to their homes, was wrecked, and falling down an embankment, they were buried in the ruins, and scarcely a human being was saved. Horror was depicted on every countenance, and the question was asked from one to the other, "Can it be true?" I recollect meeting, near the post-office, on that day, our warm-hearted friend, ex-Gov. John D. Long, who, grasping my hand, said: "Chaplain, have you heard the news? Can it be true? How sad." And our sympathies went out for those who, left at home, were at that moment almost in despair over the expected loss of those beloved ones, buried in the ruins of a wrecked train, far from home.

But, thank God, ere the night closed, the mist cleared away, and the intelligence reached us, it was a lie — sent abroad by some designing rascal who ought to have been bucked and gagged. But the hearts of those made sad by the intelligence were gladdened by the arrival of their loved ones safe at home, to the bosoms of their families and their comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. And you, Commander, and those associated with you, will never know the terrible anxiety of that dreadful hour until placed in similar circumstances. And now let me turn from the dark to the bright side of the picture.

The year has been a prosperous one; prosperous in every respect, both in increase of membership and in ability to carry on the noble work of charity to our suffering comrades, and to the widows and orphans of those who fell in our holy cause. Every year death is thinning our ranks, and soon, all too soon, the last one will have gone to join his comrades in the sky.

How fitting that we should be banded together in times of peace, under the name of Grand Army of the Republic. What a debt the country is owing you for your valiant services! it never has been paid—it never can be. I never see a soldier of the Republic shattered in limb or emaciated by disease, that my heart is not touched. They are royal ones of our land, and worthy of a princely living. A grateful people never ought to allow any of these noble veterans to eke out a living by humiliating drudgery, but should care for them in a princely manner, from the funds now accumulating and lying idle in the National Treasury.

The petition now in circulation among the various Posts of the Department, or one of a similar character, asking that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors be given a pension of not less than eight dollars per month, is a step in the right direction; and if granted, will only be as a drop in the bucket compared to the obligation of a nation's gratitude to the survivors of the war. The Grand Army of Massachusetts are looking ahead in the right direction. The Soldiers' Home is a glorious provision; there the tired and worn-out ones of earth can rest and be cared for in the hour of sickness and death, and loving hands administer to their comfort, and pleasant faces cheer them in their pilgrimage to another world.

But I am inclined to think the Posts of the Grand Army of this Department should make some wise provision for themselves. It is true, I believe fully in the three great characteristics of our order—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. But I believe in the old saying—Charity should begin at home. For while the Grand Army of the Republic has spent its thousands of dollars upon those who never would enter our ranks, and I do not begrudge them the help they have received, I foresee that this large body of men before me to-night, as the years roll on, will soon stand on the borders of the grave many of them helpless and alone. Who will provide for them? Charity is cold, unless guided by cheerful and loving hands. Large numbers of my comrades present, and those you represent here, will sicken, be helpless, and die; your services to the country will be forgotten by the rising generation, and money will not flow so freely into your treasury. What, then, are you to do? I do not know that I shall ever have the privilege of again addressing you in convention assembled, so I want to give you one piece of advice—let every Post in the Department, if not already done, lay by a part of its income to form a Post Relief Fund, to be spent on none but members of your Post, so that when the older members have passed away, and those now in middle life shall follow them to the gates of death, and poverty shall stare them in the face, and a pauper's grave fill them with alarm and dread, let them see and

feel that, being the last of the noble race of men who saved the country in its hour of peril, they have not been forgotten, and the forethought of their associates has wisely provided for this emergency, so that the last, aye the very last, man of this Grand Army of Massachusetts shall rise above the trials of this life, no poverty to assail him, no pauper's grave for him to dread; but rising, when the last hour shall come, up, up, above the stars, to the throne of God, the angels will welcome him, and his comrades who have passed on before him shall greet him around a camp-fire that shall never be extinguished; and the Son of God, standing in the midst of the heavenly hosts, shall crown him with glory everlasting and eternal life.

Commander, as you, sir, shall retire on the morrow from your arduous labors of the year, it must be with a degree of satisfaction and pride that the work has been honestly done, and produced glorious results. May your mantle, sir, fall upon worthy shoulders, and your successor win glorious victories for the Grand Army of Massachusetts.

And now, comrades, one word more to you and I have done. Go back to your various posts of duty; carrying greetings to your comrades. Go back to work with redoubled energy and zeal in the sphere in which you are assigned in the Post to which you belong. So Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty be your motto, and Heaven at last be your home.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

JOHN W. LEE,
Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1884.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor respectfully to report that I have attended all of the meetings of the Council of Administration, inspected six Posts, and attended to such other duties as have been assigned me.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

JAS. H. WRIGHT,
Medical Director.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 30, 1884.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

"A short horse is soon curried," and the law department of the Encampment can quickly recount its doings. A wise man of the earth counts that a happy land whose annals are a blank, and the one felicity of this report is its testimony that the Judge Advocate has had little to do, and has done no more. With a few trifling exceptions the affairs of the Order have known no complications which soldierly horse sense, and the spirit of Fraternity and Charity have not been able to solve without recourse to authority. Instances of discipline have been so rare and so unimportant as scarcely to merit notice.

When your law officer finds his official life so uneventful he may well congratulate the Encampment, and add his testimony to the volume already in that the Order was never in so healthful, harmonious and promising condition in Massachusetts as it is today.

The matters upon which the Department Commander has required opinions from me have related mainly to questions of procedure under the Rules and Regulations. Such of those opinions as may at any time be deemed of general interest can be promulgated in orders, and do not need to be specifically referred to here. I may say, however, that the questions referred to me have generally arisen out of the more minute and elaborate provisions of our code, and I desire to suggest that changes in the legislation of the Order ought to be in the direction of greater simplicity and directness. We are rapidly approaching that time of life when officialism, red tape, and formalism of every kind grow wearisome and vexatious, and the less the affairs of the Order become encumbered with them, the more securely will it be fixed in the affections of those whose waning years loosen all but the simplest ties of nature.

One matter which has been made subject of reference to me is all that I care specially to refer to. The management of their Relief Fund is engaging the attention of Posts to a degree which calls for more definite provision concerning it than the Rules and Regulations now contain. In very many Posts this fund has been placed in the hands of a board of trustees—a disposition of it which can hardly be reconciled with that provision of the code which requires that all the property of the Post shall be held by the Quartermaster, but which is so eminently wise and secure that many other Posts only hesitate to adopt it because of its apparent illegality. I am clearly of the opinion that the practice

has no warrant in the Rules and Regulations, but that it ought to have. I therefore recommend that members of the National Encampment from this Department be instructed to urge upon that body such changes in the Rules and Regulations as will place the Relief Fund in the hands of trustees, substantially in the manner now in vogue in this Department.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

JNO. L. RICE,
Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1884.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Having been called to my position late in the year, to fill the unexpired term of Comrade Gibbs, my duties have been rather of an ornamental nature. I have officiated at the installation ceremonies of Post 33 of Woburn and Post 66 of Medford. The applications for installing officers have been filled, and comrades so designated have performed the duties assigned them very acceptably. I would suggest that, hereafter, Posts, in making requests for installing officers, be more prompt in their choice and in notifying Department Headquarters, as a number of Posts were disappointed in not having their selected comrade to install their officers. Permit me also to suggest that the installation ceremonies would be far more effective and impressive if comrades selected to perform the ceremony were members of Posts other than the one selecting them.

I desire to express my hearty thanks to the comrades who so ably assisted me in the installation ceremonies, and to the Department Commander and his Staff for the courtesies extended to me in the performance of my duties.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

A. M. LUNT,
Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1884.

Commander and Comrades of the Department Encampment:
In accordance with the requirements of our Order, the members of the Council of Administration would respectfully present the doings of their Department the past year.

It would take too much of your valuable time to give a detailed report, therefore we will pass over the minor points, and present only those of importance.

The Council have held five regular meetings and one special meeting during the year. At the first meeting, held February 8, a vote of thanks was extended to the officers and comrades of Post 2, for the courteous manner in which they had performed guard duty at the Department Encampment.

On motion of Comrade Wright, a committee was appointed to procure a testimonial for Comrade James F. Meech, in accordance with a vote passed at the Department Convention, the cost of said testimonial not to exceed seventy-five dollars.

A special meeting of the Council was held March 22, to take action and pay our respects to our late comrade and Past Department Commander, John A. Hawes. On motion of Comrade Monroe, a committee of three were appointed to draft resolutions in honor of the departed Commander, and a copy of the same was transmitted to his family.

At a regular meeting, held July 12, the following named comrades were elected delegates to the National Encampment, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of comrades elected at the Department Encampment:—

F. M. Shaw, J. W. Hersey, A. S. Roe, E. C. Gould, E. B. Witherell, and C. G. Davis.

The Council would recommend that, in selecting delegates for the National Encampment, only those comrades be elected who would pledge themselves to attend unless prevented by some unavoidable circumstances.

The Council would, in view of the time and expense involved upon the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General, suggest to the Department Encampment for their consideration that a sum be appropriated each year by the Council of Administration sufficient to defray the travelling expenses of said officers to and from the National Encampment.

In conclusion, the Council would congratulate Commander Evans upon the very successful and prosperous year of his administration.

All of which we most respectfully submit.

C. H. PARSONS,
W. W. SCOTT,
R. F. TOBIN,
J. CUSHING THOMAS,
BENJ. PITMAN,

Council of Administration.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The Auditing Committee appointed by the Commander to audit the accounts of the Assistant Quartermaster-General and Assistant Adjutant-General attended to the duty assigned them, and thoroughly examined all books, bills, vouchers, etc., at the close of each quarter, and we are pleased to report that we found the books kept in a perfect, business-like manner, all accounts being balanced at the end of each quarter. We also found vouchers and bills receipted for all moneys paid out.

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| Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1883 | \$683 71 |
| Received during the year | 5,750 76 |
| Making a total of | <u>\$6,436 47</u> |
| Expenditures | 5,074 78 |
| Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1884 | <u>1,359 69</u> |

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 30, 1884.

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| Receipts | \$1,438 47 |
| Balance on hand, Jan. 1 | 1,359 69 |
| Total | <u>\$2,798 16</u> |
| Expenditures | 1,053 85 |
| Balance on hand, Jan. 30, 1884 | <u>\$1,744 31</u> |

The Auditing Committee congratulate the Department on its financial condition. We are free from any indebtedness. All of our office fixtures, supplies, etc., at headquarters are paid for, and we have a handsome balance to turn over to our successors in office.

The committee would recommend to the Department that one thousand dollars of the funds be invested in such manner as, in the judgment of the Council of Administration, would be for the best interest of the Department, the balance to be left in the hands of the Assistant Quartermaster-General for current expenses of the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. PARSONS,
W. W. SCOTT,
R. F. TOBIN,

Auditing Committee of the Council of Administration.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

Comrades: By direction of the Board of Trustees of the Soldiers' Home I have the honor to submit the following report of the condition of the Home, from July 25, 1883, to Jan. 1, 1884, being supplementary to the annual report that is in the hands of the comrades of the Convention.

From July 25, 1883, to Jan. 1, 1884, number admitted to the Home, 47; readmitted, 17; in the Home January 1, 106; aggregate number admitted since the Home was opened, July 25, 1882, 296; number died since July 25, 4; number in Hospital Jan. 1, 1884, 23.

The men admitted to the Home since it was opened, July 25, 1882, to Jan. 1, 1884, served as follows:—

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| 1st Mass. Vols. | 5 | 61st Mass. Vols. | 3 |
| 2d " " | 6 | 4th M V.M. | 3 |
| 7th " " | 1 | 5th " " | 3 |
| 9th " " | 8 | 6th " " | 2 |
| 10th " " | 3 | 8th " " | 3 |
| 11th " " | 6 | 43d " " | 3 |
| 12th " " | 3 | 45th " " | 3 |
| 13th " " | 5 | 46th " " | 1 |
| 15th " " | 4 | 47th " " | 2 |
| 16th " " | 2 | 48th " " | 3 |
| 17th " " | 9 | 50th " " | 1 |
| 19th " " | 9 | 51st " " | 2 |
| 20th " " | 11 | 53d " " | 2 |
| 21st " " | 4 | 60th " " | 1 |
| 22d " " | 5 | 2d Co. S.S. | 1 |
| 23d " " | 4 | Vet. Reserve Corps | 6 |
| 24th " " | 6 | 2d Bat'y Art. | 2 |
| 25th " " | 3 | 3d " " | 2 |
| 26th " " | 8 | 4th " " | 1 |
| 28th " " | 8 | 5th " " | 1 |
| 29th " " | 5 | 6th " " | 1 |
| 30th " " | 9 | 9th " " | 2 |
| 31st " " | 1 | 11th " " | 1 |
| 32d " " | 12 | 12th " " | 1 |
| 33d " " | 2 | 1st Regt. H.A. | 10 |
| 34th " " | 1 | 2d " " | 12 |
| 35th " " | 1 | 3d " " | 2 |
| 36th " " | 4 | 1st Bat'y " | 1 |
| 37th " " | 2 | 1st Regt. Cav. | 4 |
| 39th " " | 1 | 2d " " | 6 |
| 40th " " | 4 | 3d " " | 6 |
| 56th " " | 5 | 4th " " | 2 |
| 57th " " | 1 | Navy | 25 |
| 58th " " | 2 | Other States | 17 |

By this you will see that all branches of the service are represented, and that men from all parts of the State have found shelter in the Home.

In my annual report to the Trustees I called their attention to the necessity for additional room, especially for hospital purposes, and recommended that a fair be held the coming autumn to replenish our funds. The Trustees have carefully considered the matter, and while they are unanimous in favor of the recommendation, they believe that next autumn being Presidential election, the spring of 1885 would be a better time, in which opinion I heartily concur, and by a vote of the Trustees bring the subject before this Encampment for your consideration. You may ask, "What has the Encampment to do with the Soldiers' Home?" Legally, nothing; morally, everything. Without the active co-operation of the fourteen thousand comrades who compose the Department of Massachusetts G.A.R., your Trustees would feel weak, and not equal to the work before them; but with your sympathy and support, we feel that success is assured. But, please, don't feel that when you have voted to stand by us in this work you have accomplished it. You remember how often in war times the citizens "resolved" that the army ought to move, and that Richmond ought to be taken, but forgot to take their muskets and back up their resolutions.

So in our work success can only come when we advance all along the line. In my opinion no more worthy charity can be found in this State than ours.

The sympathies of the people are with us, and we have only to bring our cause before them to obtain all the financial assistance we require. We have petitioned the Legislature for the same amount we received last year (\$15,000), and I have no doubt it will be as cheerfully given as it was then; but as I have before said, I hope that the management of the Home will ever remain in the hands of comrades of the G.A.R., and be largely supported by contributions from the patriotic men and women of our old Commonwealth. I trust all comrades who have not visited the Home will do so, and urge citizens to do the same. Since July 25, 1883, fifteen hundred have registered as visitors at the Home, exclusive of those who have visited it for the purpose of giving entertainments to the men, and I have yet to find a visitor who has not become heartily interested in it.

With the exception of Sundays, the Home is always open for the inspection of visitors, and they will receive a cordial welcome from Gen. Cunningham and his excellent wife. Since the opening of the Home we have been constantly assisted by the Ladies' Aid Association connected with it.

They have answered every call, provided all the white quilts, sheets and pillowcases; donated books and papers; provided stage and scenery for entertainments; visited the sick in the Hospital, furnishing them with delicacies; in fact, have been to the boys in the Home just what the Sanitary Commission was to

the boys in the field. Words can poorly express our thanks for what they have done for our comrades; but we assure them their noble works are appreciated by us, and the consciousness of duty well performed must be their reward.

We trust our work has been such as to meet the approval of our comrades. Let us, as comrades of the G.A.R., by judicious expenditure of our Post charity funds, keep just as many comrades outside the Home as possible; but, let every old soldier or sailor feel that when the time comes that he has no other shelter, the Home on Powder Horn Hill, in Chelsea, is open to receive him, while we have a vacant bed or a dollar to provide for his wants.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. B. ADAMS,
President.

Moved by Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42:—

That the Department Commander appoint a committee of fourteen to report a list of fourteen delegates, and an equal number of alternates, to the next National Encampment.

The motion was adopted and the following committee was appointed, viz.:—

J. P. Maxfield of Post 42; J. F. Capelle of Post 57; Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66; Wm. S. King of Post 139; E. A. Horton of Post 145; Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5; C. S. Anthony of Post 3; Wm. H. Wade of Post 133; Geo. O. Noyes of Post 15; M. B. Lakeman of Post 40; C. M. Whelden of Post 125; F. M. Kingman of Post 124; Harry Crosby of Post 71; A. H. Wright of Post 73.

On motion of Comrade Wm. H. Brown of Post 82, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed to report a list of an equal number of comrades for Council of Administration. The following committee was appointed:—

Wm. H. Brown of Post 82; Chas. H. Ross of Post 2; Geo. H. Patch of Post 142; Alfred A. Burrill of Post 22; Wm. L. Robinson of Post 10.

It was moved by Comrade Geo. W. Creasey of Post 49, that a committee of five be appointed by the Department Commander to take into consideration, and report upon at the morning session, the various recommendations in the address of the Department Commander and the reports of all other officers, including the Council of Administration.

The following committee was named and approved : —

Geo. W. Creasey of Post 49 ; Dennis Linehan of Post 15 ,
J. W. Hersey of Post 16 ; John D. Billings of Post 94 ; John H.
Abbott of Post 46.

On motion of Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66, the
Assistant Adjutant-General was directed to acknowledge the
receipt of telegram from Department of New Jersey, G.A.R.,
and extend to them the greeting of this Department.

Comrade Geo. H. Patch of Post 142 addressed the Encamp-
ment in favor of an Encampment under canvas, of this Depart-
ment, during the coming year, at Lake Waushacum, in the town
of Sterling.

He explained the plan quite at length, and gave notice that
he should call up this matter at the morning session, and ask a
vote on it.

The different committees were notified as to the place and
hour of meeting.

The Assistant Adjutant-General gave notice that there had
been unforeseen delay in the issue of the proceedings of the last
Encampment, but that he had them present, and they would be
distributed at the close of this session, the roll of Posts to be
called for that purpose.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that when this
Encampment adjourns it be to meet at Tremont Temple, at 9
o'clock tomorrow morning, January 31.

Comrade James K. Churchill of Post 10 moved, as an amend-
ment, that the hour be 10 o'clock. Amendment lost.

The original motion was then carried.

There being no further business, the Encampment adjourned
at 10.30 P.M.

TREMONT TEMPLE, Jan. 31, 1884.

The Department Encampment was called to order by Depart-
ment Commander Geo. S. Evans at 9.45 A.M.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain John W. Lee.

The following messages were read by the Assistant Adjutant-
General, who was directed to acknowledge and reply to the
same : —

MIDDLETOWN, CONN., Jan. 31, 1884.

GEO. S. EVANS, *Department Commander, G.A.R.*,
Boston.

Seventeenth Encampment Department of Connecticut in session send a comrade's greeting to your Encampment, trusting that your deliberations may result in good to the Order.

ISAAC B. HYATT,
Department Commander.

TREMONT, NEB., Jan. 30, 1884.

GEO. S. EVANS, *Department Commander, G.A.R.*,
Boston.

Nebraska sends greeting to the comrades of Massachusetts in Encampment assembled.

JOHN C. BONNELL,
Department Commander.

The next business being the reception of communications from Posts, the roll was called with the following result: —

HEADQUARTERS JOHN A. ANDREW POST No. 15, G.A.R.,
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Commander: Your delegates to this Convention from Post 15 have been instructed to bring before you for action the following: —

To endeavor to have all of Section 2, Article VII., of the Rules and Regulations after the word "choice" in the second line stricken out, and that the delegates to the National Encampment from the Department of Massachusetts be instructed to urge the same.

E. CLEAVES, *S. V. C.*,
D. LINEHAN,
OLIVER DOWNING,
GEORGE W. POWERS.

HEADQUARTERS JOHN A. ANDREW POST No. 15, G.A.R.,
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Commander: Your delegates to this Convention from Post 15 have been instructed to bring before you for action the following: —

That in the Ritual, work and orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, an unjust discrimination is made against sailors, who served their country with a fidelity equal to that of soldiers, and who are entitled to an equal recognition in that Order which claims to represent the combined patriotism and loyalty of the country, and they ask that the delegates from this Department to the National Encampment be instructed to urge upon that body the justice of making the changes necessary to comply with the spirit of this resolution.

E. CLEAVES, *S. V. C.*,
OLIVER DOWNING,
D. LINEHAN,
GEORGE W. POWERS.

HEADQUARTERS THEODORE WINTHROP POST No 35, G.A.R.,
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

CHELSEA, MASS., Jan. 24, 1884.

To the Officers and Members of this Encampment.

Comrades: At a regular meeting of Post 35, held this evening, it was voted that the delegates to the Department Convention be instructed to present the matter of sailors' records to the Convention, and request that some action be taken, whereby a complete record of every man who served in the navy of the United States during the Rebellion might be kept in the same manner as that of its soldiers.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

GEO. W. MARSH, *Commander, Post 35.*

For the Delegates.

HEADQUARTERS POST 30, G. A. R.

CAMBRIDGEPORT, Jan. 24, 1884.

Resolved, That the delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to cause such change in the ritual as to make the installation of officers in the rear of the altar and facing the Holy Bible, instead of being in front of the altar, and back to the Bible, as now laid down in the ritual. It is further,

Resolved, That they cause such change to be made in the muster-in service as to require the badge presentation in the mustering of recruits in all Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic.

J. W. WALKER,
Commander, Post 30, G.A.R.

HEADQUARTERS MACPHERSON POST No. 73, G.A.R.
ABINGTON, MASS., Jan. 16, 1884.

MacPherson Post No. 73, G.A.R., respectfully presents to the Department Encampment the following memorial:—

In the national cemetery at Gettysburg the graves are arranged in concentric curves, the lines of which are marked by granite bands, like curbstones, on the top of which are cut into the granite the names of the soldiers, each over against his grave. Originally they were painted black. This paint has been renewed two or three times, but now it is entirely worn out, and the stones look painfully shabby and neglected. The comrade in charge of the cemetery has put in a requisition to the War Department each year for two or three years past, asking that the names be repainted, but the request has been passed over.

What is true at Gettysburg is likely to be true, or to become true, at each of the other national cemeteries. We therefore respectfully request the Department Encampment to take such measures as will secure, if possible, an appropriation from Congress, at its present session, to provide for painting all the names in all the national cemeteries, for which we are informed that one cent a letter is ample.

We also understand that if the paint be renewed once in five years, this will be often enough to keep the names looking neat and bright. We therefore would further request that steps be also taken to secure the establishment of a regular appropriation for this purpose once in five years, just as our towns give regular appropriations yearly to the G.A.R.

All which is submitted with earnest desire,

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

WM. H. NASH, *Adjutant*.

AUGUSTUS H. WRIGHT.

Post Commander.

At the conclusion of this order of business, on motion of Comrade Oliver Downing of Post 15, it was voted that all resolutions and communications from Posts be referred to the committee of five on Commander's address, except the one from Post 35, G.A.R., relative to the matter of Navy records, and on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, the latter question was referred to a special committee of three, which was constituted as follows:—

Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, R. F. Tobin of Post 30, J. Frank Dalton of Post 34.

After remarks by various comrades relative to matters that had just been referred to committees, Comrade Geo. H. Patch of Post 142 called up the matter referred to by him at the evening session, and, after explaining the subject quite at length, submitted the following motion, viz:—

That it is the sense of the delegates here assembled that this Department hold an Encampment under canvas for three or five days, during the coming summer or autumn, at Lake Waushacum, Sterling. The motion was seconded.

A long discussion of the question followed, which was participated in by Comrades Wm. MacDonald of Post 158, E. W. Thompson of Post 42, J. B. Willard of Post 10, Geo. S. Merrill of Post 39, C. M. Whelden of Post 125, J. K. Churchill of Post 10, and others. Comrade Wm. H. Hart of Post 35 moved the previous question, which was ordered, and Comrade Patch's motion was declared lost.

The Special Committee of three on Navy Records asked for further time, with leave to communicate their wishes to the Legislature or the State authorities, which was granted.

On motion of Comrade Dennis Meehan of Post 7, it was voted:—

That for the remainder of this session no comrade be allowed to speak longer than five minutes, or more than once on the same question, except by unanimous consent.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows : —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 487 |
| Number of comrades present | 426 |
| Divided as follows : — | |
| Department Officers | 15 |
| Past Department Officers | 5 |
| Post Commanders | 134 |
| Delegates | 272 |
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| Total | 426 |

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMANDER'S ADDRESS, ETC.

Comrade George W. Creasey of Post 49 submitted a report for above committee, which he read in full. Various motions and amendments were made and discussed, and it was finally voted, on motion of Comrade Andrew C. Stone of Post 39, that the report be accepted, and the several recommendations be considered separately. In accordance with that vote, the report was reread, and separate action taken.

First. The recommendation that the spring visitation to Posts by Department officers be continued, your committee would advise that the system be made permanent.

Adopted.

Second. That in the matter of changing the installation services, as recommended by the Department Commander, the committee consider any change inexpedient.

Quite a discussion followed, which was participated in by Comrades Capelle of Post 57, Downing and Linehan of Post 15, Thompson of Post 42, Goodale of Post 66, and Welch of Post 57; and on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted that the matter be referred to the delegates from this Department to the National Encampment.

Third. The recommendation that Posts include in the muster-in fee the price of the regulation badge, be adopted, that that portion of the muster-in service relating to the presentation

of the badge may be performed without the very unusual and humiliating spectacle, presented by some of the Posts in the Department, of presenting to the initiate the badge of our Order, and then supplementing it with the ridiculous demand of payment for the same, or its return to the Quartermaster.

Adopted.

Fourth. That portion of the Commander's address wherein he recommends the appropriation of a sum not exceeding \$300, for the actual traveling expenses of the Department Commander, be adopted; and in addition they would respectfully recommend that it apply to the Department Commander *only*, and that all such expenses be subject to the approval of the Council of Administration; and, further, that when the Department Commander attends a fair, given by an individual Post, the Post shall pay the expense.

The usual motion to accept the foregoing recommendation was seconded, but much opposition was manifested, several comrades spoke upon the question, and especially with reference to an amendment presented by Comrade Chas. A. Follett of Post 88, to add the words "Senior Vice-Commander and Junior Vice-Commander" after the words "to the Department Commander," so that it shall read "to the Department Commander, Senior Vice-Commander, and Junior Vice-Commander only."

The amendment was adopted, as was the original question as amended.

Fifth. That the railroad fares of the Department Commander and the Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department. The committee recommend favorable action.

Adopted.

Sixth. That portion of the address relative to the contemplated fair in aid of the Soldiers' Home, the committee would recommend that this Encampment "assures the Trustees of the Home of the earnest, hearty and active co-operation of the Department in whatever measures they may present for the benefit of the Home, and would further recommend that the delegates report to their respective Posts that a fair is to be held in the spring of 1885, and urge that their Posts not only endorse the action of the Trustees and this Encampment, but pledge their active assistance in making the fair a financial success.

Adopted.

Seventh. That the appropriation of \$200 for additional clerical force for the Assistant Adjutant-General be continued.

Adopted.

Eighth. The recommendation of the Assistant Adjutant-General that a memorial page be inserted in the printed proceedings, giving name, company and regiment, if soldiers, and ship, squadron and station, if sailors, of comrades who have died during the year, the committee most heartily approve, and recommend its adoption.

Accepted by a rising vote.

Ninth. The recommendation of the Judge Advocate regarding a change in the Rules and Regulations so that a portion of the funds of a Post may be placed in the hands of Trustees, your committee would suggest that the subject be referred to the National Encampment.

And it was so ordered.

Tenth. The recommendation of the Council of Administration regarding the investment of the surplus funds of the Department, your committee would recommend the reference of the subject to the incoming Council of Administration.

Adopted, and the report of the committee as a whole was accepted.

Comrade Oliver Downing of Post 15 offered the following motion : —

Resolved, That our delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to urge that the Rules and Regulations be so changed as to allow Post Commanders to appoint the Officer of the Day and the Officer of the Guard.

The motion was lost.

Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42 reported for the committee to nominate delegates and alternates to the National Encampment, and the report of the committee was "laid on the table until after the election of officers."

A resolution offered by Comrade E. P. Morton of Post 61 as to the action, or rather, non-action, of the incoming Department Commander during the approaching political campaign was, on motion of Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66, returned to the comrade presenting it.

Comrade John S. Beck of Post 66 moved, and it was *voted*, That we proceed to the election of Department officers, and that the Commander appoint a committee of five to collect, sort and count votes for Department Commander. Comrade Chas. B. Fox nominated the present Senior Vice-Commander, John D. Billings of Post 94, for the position of Department Commander. The nomination was seconded by Comrade W. H. Bartlett of Post 10.

After further remarks by several comrades in favor of Comrade Billings' candidacy, and there being no other nominations presented, the Department Commander appointed the following committee on ballot for Department Commander:—

John S. Beck of Post 66, F. M. Harrington of Post 96, E. J. Dolan of Post 30, J. H. Gould of Post 117, Fred Hanson of Post 13.

After the vote for Commander had been taken and the committee had retired, it was voted, on motion of Comrade Theodore Leutz of Post 21, that we proceed to the election of Department Senior Vice-Commander, and that a committee of five be appointed by the Commander to collect, sort and count votes for a Department Senior Vice-Commander.

The Commander appointed the following committee:—

Theodore Leutz of Post 21, Chas. O. Welch of Post 57, Leopold Bartol of Post 1, Thos. Stoddard of Post 87, Oliver Downing of Post 15.

Nominations being next in order, Comrade Fitz J. Babson of Post 45 nominated Comrade Benjamin Pitman of Post 82. The nomination was seconded, and remarks were made by Comrades Powers and Langlan of Post 15, and Follet of Post 88. Comrade John L. Otis of Post 86 nominated J. W. Hersey of Post 16. The nomination was seconded by Comrade J. B. Parsons of Post 86. Comrade H. A. Sawyer of Post 5 was nominated by Comrade C. O. Fellows of Post 35. The present Department Junior Vice-Commander, W. A. Sloane, was nominated by Comrade J. B. Lamb of Post 10. Seconded by Comrade J. K. Churchill of same Post. Comrade Jesse H. Jones of Post 73 named Comrade D. H. L. Gleason of Post 63. Seconded by Comrade A. B. Underwood of Post 62.

The ballot having been taken and the committee having retired, Comrade Beck reported as follows on vote for Department Commander:—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 383 |
| John D. Billings had | 366 |
| Benj. Pitman had | 10 |
| R. F. Tobin had | 2 |
| Scattering | 5 |

Comrade Billings was declared elected, and Comrades Babson of Post 42, Frost of Post 43, and Linehan of Post 15, were requested to escort the Commander-elect to the platform. The committee attended to the duty assigned them, and presented Commander-elect Billings, who thanked the Encampment for the unanimity of his election, and pledged himself and his best efforts to the advancement and upbuilding of the Department for the coming year.

Comrade Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5 moved, and it was *voted*, That there be no ballot for Department Junior-Vice Commander until after the election of Senior Vice-Commander, and that we proceed to the election of Medical Director.

For the latter office Comrade James Oliver, Jr., of Post 123 was nominated by Geo. P. Hawes of Post 109. The nomination was seconded by Comrade Hersey of Post 16.

A motion was made by Comrade J. B. Willard of Post 10 that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing the name of Comrade James Oliver, Jr., for Medical Director. Objection was made, and a ballot ordered to be taken.

On motion of Comrade J. F. Capelle of Post 57, the Encampment voted to proceed to the election of Department Chaplain, and that a committee of five be constituted to conduct the balloting.

Comrades Capelle of Post 57, Hawkes of Post 109, Buzzell of Post 7, Langlan of Post 15, and Lothrop of Post 16, were appointed a committee.

Comrades Edward A. Horton and Richard Eddy were nominated, and the ballot was proceeded with. After this committee had retired to count, Comrade Wm. H. Brown of Post 82 reported as follows for the committee appointed to nominate five comrades to serve on the Council of Administration:—

Comrade W. W. Scott of Post 10, Worcester; Comrade J. Cushing Thomas of Post 15, Boston; Comrade John McDonough of Post 2, South Boston; Comrade Edward McKay of Post 22, Milford; Comrade Chas. H. Tracey of Post 103, Chicopee.

A motion was made that the report be accepted, and the Assistant Adjutant-General cast the list as reported. Objection was made, and the report was laid on the table.

Comrade Leutz of Post 21 reported as follows on ballot for Department Senior Vice-Commander: —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 393 |
| John W. Hersey had | 197 |
| Horace A. Sawyer had | 70 |
| W. A. Sloane had | 59 |
| Benjamin Pitman had | 42 |
| D. H. L. Gleason had | 22 |
| Scattering | 3 |

And Comrade J. W. Hersey of Post 16 was declared elected.

Comrades Pitman and Sawyer were appointed a committee to conduct the Senior Vice-Commander elect to the platform, who upon his arrival, thanked the comrades for their confidence, and promised his cordial and untiring support for the year to come.

A ballot was ordered for Department Junior Vice-Commander.

Comrade John H. Abbott of Post 46 placed in nomination Comrade E. A. Horton of Post 145. Comrade John L. Rice of Post 17 presented the name of Comrade H. A. Sawyer of Post 5. Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42 nominated Richard F. Tobin of Post 30, seconded by Comrades Hart and Pitman. Comrade A. H. Wright of Post 73 named Comrade Chas. D. Nash of Post 78, seconded by Comrade Geo. W. Powers of Post 15. Nominations ceased, the ballot was taken, and the committee retired.

The committee on ballot for Medical Director reported as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 316 |
| James Oliver, Jr., Post 123, had | 294 |
| M. F. Delano, Post 52, had | 16 |
| J. H. Wright, Post 63, had | 3 |
| Scattering | 3 |

And Comrade Oliver was declared elected.

Comrade Capelle reported as follows on ballot for Chaplain: —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 324 |
| Richard Eddy had | 245 |
| E. A. Horton had | 66 |
| John W. Lee had | 9 |
| Philip H. Creasey had | 4 |

Comrade Richard Eddy of Post 4 was declared elected Department Chaplain, and was presented to the Encampment, whereupon he expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred and pledged his most earnest co-operation.

Comrade John S. Beck of Post 66 moved to take from the table the report of Committee to Nominate Delegates and Alternates to National Encampment, and that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast the list as reported.

Objection was made, and Comrade Dennis Meehan of Post 7 moved to substitute the name of S. F. Keyes for that of J. E. Killian; but the Encampment refused to concur. The original motion being called for, and no objection being made, the Assistant Adjutant-General cast the list as reported, and the following comrades were declared elected

REPRESENTATIVES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

James F. Meech, Post 10, Worcester.

DELEGATES.

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| Charles M. Whelden | Post 125, Pittsfield |
| Henry C. Hall | " 29, Waltham |
| J. A. G. Richardson | " 42, Lowell |
| Geo. A. Fletcher | " 102, Milton |
| John E. Killian | " 26, Roxbury |
| Andrew C. Stone | " 39, Lawrence |
| John Macfarlane | " 5, Lynn |
| Wm. H. Estey | " 15, Boston |
| Geo. G. Bailey, Jr. | " 121, Hyde Park |
| Chas. O. Welch | " 57, East Cambridge |
| Thos. H. Hill | " 33, Woburn |
| Chas. S. Anthony | " 3, Taunton |
| M. R. Greeley | " 58, Weymouth |
| E. B. Stillings | " 148, Winchester |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

John L. Otis Post 86, Northampton

ALTERNATES.

F. O. Barnes Post 35, Chelsea
 J. H. Abbott " 46, Fall River
 S. F. Keyes " 7, Boston
 E. S. Horton " 145, Attleboro
 C. Frank Luther " 79, North Adams
 Wm. H. Warren " 12, Wakefield
 Thos. E. Barker " 40, Malden
 J. W. Sawyer " 95, Saugus
 C. H. Coburn " 120, Lowell
 E. H. Dyer " 2, South Boston
 E. P. Davis " 133, Plainville
 J. F. Capelle " 57, East Cambridge
 H. M. Phillips " 16, Springfield
 P. A. Lindsey " 30, Cambridgeport

Comrade J. B. Willard of Post 10 moved to take from the table the report of Committee on Nomination of Council of Administration. The motion was adopted, and it was then voted that the list as presented by the committee be deposited by the Assistant Adjutant-General, and the comrades therein named be declared elected.

There being no objection, the list was deposited as directed and the following comrades declared elected:—

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

W. W. Scott Post 10, Worcester
 J. Cushing Thomas " 15, Boston
 John McDonough " 2, South Boston
 Edward McKay " 22, Milford
 Chas. H. Tracey " 113, Chicopee

Comrade Leutz reported for Committee on Ballot for Department Junior Vice-Commander, as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes cast | 363 |
| Richard F. Tobin had | 254 |
| Chas D. Nash " | 40 |
| Edward S. Horton " | 31 |
| Benj. Pitman " | 27 |
| H. A. Sawyer " | 9 |
| Scattering | 2 |

And Richard F. Tobin was declared elected.

Comrade Tobin was presented, and while he does not claim to be a musician, he struck the right "note," at least that was the opinion of the Encampment, judging by the interest manifested.

Comrade Wm. H. Hart of Post 35 offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Department, in Convention assembled, be extended to Department Chaplain John W. Lee, for the character and dignity which he has brought to his office during five years of faithful service, in which he has won the respect and esteem of all his comrades.

The Department Commander-elect announced that he should reappoint Comrade Alfred C. Monroe as Assistant Adjutant-General, which announcement was enthusiastically received by the delegates.

The Assistant Adjutant-General presented the following motion:—

That the thanks of the Encampment be extended to the officers and guard of Post 30, for the excellent manner in which they performed guard duty.

And it was unanimously adopted.

There being no further business, the following officers were installed by Comrade A. B. Underwood, the Senior Past Department Commander present:—

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| Department Commander | John D. Billings |
| Department Senior Vice-Commander, | John W. Hersey |
| Department Junior Vice-Commander, | Richard F. Tobin |
| Medical Director | James Oliver, Jr. |
| Chaplain | Richard Eddy |
| Assistant Adjutant-General . . . | Alfred C. Monroe |
| Council of Administration . . . | { W. W. Scott |
| | { J. Cushing Thomas |
| | { John McDonough |
| | { Edward McKay |
| | { Chas. H. Tracey |

There being no further business, the Eighteenth Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts was declared dissolved.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

THE BANQUET.

In accordance with the custom adopted for the past two or three years, a very large number of delegates to the Convention proceeded to Faneuil Hall at the close of the Encampment, for the purpose of partaking of a banquet which had been prepared for the occasion. Besides the delegates, there were a large number of comrades present from all sections of the State, which completely filled old Faneuil Hall. Five hundred comrades sat down to the repast.

After the comrades had all been comfortably seated, Assistant Quartermaster-General Fellows announced from the outpost that the Governor had arrived, when Commander Evans immediately proceeded to the ante-room, and presently appeared with the Governor, who received a most enthusiastic reception.

The retiring Commander, George S. Evans, presided, and upon his right at the table upon the platform sat His Excellency the Governor, George D. Robinson; Department Commander-elect John D. Billings; Comrade Augustus P. Martin, Mayor of Boston; Comrade Geo. A. Marden, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and others. Upon his left were Comrade Samuel Dalton, Adjutant-General of Massachusetts; Comrade Henry B. Peirce, Secretary of the Commonwealth; Past Commander-in-Chief Geo. S. Merrill, and others. The newly elected Department officers and a number of Past Department Commanders were also upon the platform.

At the close of the excellent banquet (which was furnished by Caterer Tufts in his usual ample and satisfactory manner), and after cigars had been lighted, Commander Evans called the comrades to order, and in a short speech, in which he bid all a most cordial and hearty welcome to this gathering of representative members of the Grand Army of Massachusetts, he happily introduced to the comrades the Governor of Massachusetts, George D. Robinson, who, though not a soldier himself, was one whose heart beat in full sympathy with everything that pertains to the welfare of the soldier.

The Governor received a most cordial welcome, was listened to with the closest attention, and was frequently heartily applauded. He said that it would have afforded him the greatest gratification if the honor of addressing the members of the Grand Army as the Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth had been assigned to some

one who was a member of the organization; but the gratitude he desired to express for the greeting he had received came from one who was not lacking in his appreciation of loyalty for those who had served their country. Private citizen though he was, he could not but feel that the Grand Army, in the selection of its officers, honored its private soldiers, for those that were great today sit tomorrow in obedience to those who are elected. Massachusetts would always appreciate her soldiers, and the time would never come when the Governor of the Commonwealth would not be proud to welcome them. Though it was not his privilege to take part in the civil strife, yet he recognized the men who did, and would always be glad to meet them. After expressing surprise that although the war ended twenty years ago the Convention seemed to be composed largely of young men, the Governor alluded to the work of the Grand Army of Massachusetts, which during its existence of seventeen years had expended upward of \$600,000 in charity, and said that it was a most remarkable and a most honorable record. In eloquent words the Governor spoke of the inspiring memories of Faneuil Hall, whose walls still echoed with patriotism uttered by the patriots who had assembled therein, and pointing to the portrait of Webster making his great speech before the Senate of the United States, repeated the declaration of that statesman, "Liberty and Union, Now and Forever, One and Inseparable." Though it was a grand sight when the soldiers of the country imperiled their lives for the liberty for which Webster contended, it was a still grander sight when at the end of four years of war they had laid down their arms and resumed the duties of citizenship. In conclusion the Governor paid a tribute to the power of the organization, the highest ideal of American citizenship, and he did not wonder that the affection between comrades grew stronger as the years went on; and in the hands of such men, he well knew that in the future, as in the past, the destiny of the Commonwealth would be safe.

At the conclusion of the Governor's speech, a despatch was read from the Department of Vermont, then in session (in reply to one sent in the morning), congratulating the Department of Massachusetts upon its success; also a congratulatory despatch from the Department of Illinois, to which the Assistant Adjutant-General was requested to reply.

"His Honor Mayor Martin of Boston — a comrade of Post 15" — was next introduced and received with the utmost enthusiasm. He expressed his pleasure as one of the members of the organization in being able to greet his comrades on behalf of the grand old city of Boston, which had always done and always would do much for the defenders of the country. Referring to the Governor's surprise at seeing so many young men present, General Martin said that the men who were middle-aged when they served

in the army had nearly all passed away, and only the younger soldiers were now left. He expressed the satisfaction he experienced in meeting with soldiers, and hoped that the members of the Grand Army would renew their interest in its work.

Comrade John D. Billings, the newly elected Commander, made an earnest speech, in which, after referring to the growth of the Grand Army in Massachusetts, he congratulated his comrades on the fact that it had not yet reached the zenith of its prosperity, and spoke of the necessity of keeping up the standard of the Order, so that all soldiers not members would desire to get into the ranks.

"The Speaker of the House of Representatives, and a Past Commander of Post 42," was the introduction given Hon. George A. Marden, who "broke the boys all up" by several facetious army stories, and then, alluding to the retiring Department Commander, said that his (Comrade Evans') wife went to school to him, and there learned that Christian resignation that permitted her to consent to the absence of her husband for six months of the past year. Returning to a serious vein, he said that the Legislature was always ready to support the soldier element in anything that was just and proper. He paid a fine compliment to Mayor Martin, saying, "His guns today were served as faithfully in the interests of good government as they were in the olden days on the battlefields of Virginia."

Past Department Commander George H. Patch responded for the Past Department Commanders, and at the conclusion of his speech called Commander Evans to his feet, and in behalf of the comrades of the Department of Massachusetts, presented him with an elegant gold watch and chain.

Commander Evans, in a voice choked with emotion, thanked the comrades for their kindly remembrance, and pledged the best efforts of the remaining years of his life to the work of the Order.

The watch is a heavy hunting-case Howard railroad time-keeper. On the outside is a *facsimile* of the outline of a Grand Army badge, with the monogram "G. S. E." engraved on it. Inside the case is the inscription:—

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
 GEORGE S. EVANS,
 FROM HIS
 COMRADES OF THE DEPT. OF MASS.,
 G.A.R.,
 JAN. 31ST, 1884.

The chain is solid gold, of cable pattern, and the whole outfit was encased in a neat and ornamental box.

GENERAL ORDERS AND CIRCULAR LETTERS.

SERIES OF 1883-4.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }
 BOSTON, Feb. 5, 1883.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 1. }

I. Having been elected and installed as Commander of this Department for the ensuing year, I hereby assume the duties and responsibilities of the office.

II. *Comrades*: Never in the history of our organization have its prospects looked brighter than today. With a membership of over 12,000, and a surplus in our treasury, we have every reason to be grateful for the successes of the past two years. Yet, comrades, we must not rest here; there are in our good old Commonwealth thousands of worthy soldiers and sailors who have not associated themselves with our Order. To bring those within our ranks should be the first duty of every comrade throughout this Department. I therefore appeal to all my comrades, whether wearing the official bar of office or simply the honorable badge of our Order, to interest themselves in this work. Place the record of our organization before them, explain the principles upon which it is founded and the good it has accomplished, and I believe that every man who fought for his country will esteem it a privilege to associate himself with the truly representative organization of the grand old army and navy that saved the republic.

III. I desire in this my first order to bring prominently before my comrades of the Department the "Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts," an institution now in operation over six months, and a success in every sense of the word. A large number of our comrades have been and are being cared for under its roof. To assure its permanency it requires our united assistance. Comrades, let us see to it that we leave nothing undone that will redound to its benefit. It was made possible by the Grand Army of the Republic, — *we will* make it permanent.

IV. The following comrades are announced as the "Official Staff" of the Commander; they will be obeyed and respected accordingly: —

Assistant Adjutant-General, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

Assistant Quartermaster-General, Chas. O. Fellows of Post 35, Chelsea.

Inspector, Horace A. Sawyer of Post 5, Lynn.

Judge Advocate, John L. Rice of Post 16, Springfield.

Chief Mustering Officer, E. P. Gibbs of Post 9, Hudson.

V. After a continuous service of seven years as Assistant Adjutant-General, Comrade James F. Meech severs his connection with these headquarters. As one who having several times served with him in various capacities, I hereby desire to express my high appreciation of his valuable

services to this Department, as a competent, faithful and interested officer, and I feel that I express the sentiments of my comrades throughout the Department when I wish him abundant success and Godspeed in any and all of his future undertakings

VI. After February 10 the Department Headquarters will be at No. 12 Pemberton Square, Room 6.

VII. All official correspondence must be signed by Post Commanders, and addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General, whose office hours will be from 9 to 12 and 2 to 4, except Sundays. Saturday afternoons the office will be closed at 3 o'clock.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 2 }

BOSTON, March 10, 1883.

I. The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP

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| A. M. Lunt | East Cambridge. | John S. Beck | Medford. |
| Samuel A. Cushing . | Dorchester. | Justin B. Willard . . | Worcester. |
| Isaac M. Holt . . . | Quincy. | Thos. Swazey | Marblehead. |
| Frank P. Simonds . . | Natick. | Fred L. Perry | Springfield. |
| E. P. Jewett | Foxboro. | James A. Black | Spencer. |
| George A. Fletcher . | Milton. | Willard Y. Gross . . . | Brookline. |
| Thos. L. O'Brien . . | Boston. | Ivory R. Allen | Chelsea. |
| Geo. W. Kenny | Danvers. | Oliver H. Ingalls . . . | Franklin. |
| Geo. H. Innis | South Boston. | Theo. Leutz | Boston. |
| James Oliver | Athol Centre. | S. Wells Hunt | Sandwich. |
| Harry Crosby | Holyoke. | Wm. D. Wood | Haverhill. |
| Dennis Meehan | Boston. | Fred A. Washburn . . . | New Bedford. |
| Daniel T. Duhig . . . | Cambridge. | Charles Frazer | Clinton. |
| E. C. Spofford | Peabody. | Chas. M. Whelden . . . | Pittsfield. |
| Daniel F. Kiley . . . | Lawrence. | E. W. Thompson | Lowell. |

II. A list of officers elected at the Annual Encampment of this Department, held at Boston, January 29 and 30, appear in the Roster accompanying this Order.

III. Posts making arrangements for camp-fires, fairs, etc., and desiring the presence of the Department Commander or his Staff, would do well to consult these headquarters before making dates.

IV. As all blanks for reports are now supplied to Posts free of cost, I trust there will be no delay in promptly making reports which are due April 1.

V. Requisitions for badges that may be required for Memorial Day should be forwarded immediately, that a supply may be obtained.

VI. Comrades are warned against one Frank D. Harrington, a dropped member of Perley Post No. 37 of Laconia, N.H., who has been imposing upon and defrauding members of the Order in this Department.

VII. The address is wanted at this office of Lieut. Herbert Wadsworth, 28th Maine Infantry; any comrade of the 2d Mass. Heavy Artillery; Giles G. W. Johnson, Sergt. Company A, 19th Mass. Infantry, and Corp. Arthur M. Davis, Co. A, 19th Infantry.

VIII. The following new Posts have been organized since last General Orders:—

H. O. P. SARGENT POST 152 of Essex, Timothy Andrews, Commander.

GILMAN C. PARKER POST, 153 of Winchendon, C. T. Stearns, Commander.

IX. Herewith enclosed find slips embodying the changes made in the Ritual at the last National Encampment. Post Commanders will see that they are carried into effect at once.

X. General Orders, No. 8, and Circular from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated.

By command of GEORGE S. EVANS,
 Official: *Department Commander.*
 A. C. MONROE,
 Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }
 GENERAL ORDERS, } BOSTON, March 12, 1881.
 No. 3. }

Comrades: For the second time we are called to mourn the death of a former Department Commander

Comrade John A. Hawes of Post 1, New Bedford, and Commander of this Department in 1880, died at his residence, in Fairhaven, Mass., Saturday morning, March 10.

In recognition of the faithful services he rendered our Order, and in remembrance of the great love he cherished for the principles of the Grand Army of the Republic, all Department and Post officers will, for thirty days from the date of the reception of this order, wear the usual badge of mourning upon the left arm and sword hilt when on duty, and the charter of each Post will be draped in mourning in honor of our departed comrade.

By command of GEORGE S. EVANS,
 Official: *Department Commander*
 A. C. MONROE,
 Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }
 GENERAL ORDERS, } BOSTON, April 2, 1883.
 No. 4. }

I. The experiment of making a visit to Posts in the spring, tried last year, proved so successful, where the visits were made, that it has been thought best to continue the same this year. The following officers are hereby detailed to visit the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

John D. Billings, Department Senior Vice-Commander . . . 4, 13, 57, 68
 William A. Sloane, Department Junior Vice-Commander 38, 51, 131, 136
 James H. Wright, Medical Director 6, 14, 18, 43, 44, 80

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| Charles H. Parsons | 67, 82, 106 |
| W. W. Scott | 24, 37, 53, 64, 70, 135 |
| Richard F. Tobin | 5, 7, 23, 32 |
| J. Cushing Thomas | 36, 56, 72, 133 |
| Benj. Pitman | 34, 118, 152 |
| Charles O. Fellows, Assistant Quartermaster-General | 2, 12, 21, 75, 90 |
| Horace A. Sawyer, Inspector | 10, 15, 45, 49, 113 |
| John L. Rice, Judge Advocate | 41, 86, 125 |
| Edward P. Gibbs, Chief Mustering Officer | 19, 20, 93, 123, 140 |

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| A. M. Lunt | 29, 33, 35, 132, 134, 141 |
| Samuel A. Cushing | 31, 76, 78, 94, 104 |
| Isaac M. Holt | 74, 83, 98, 111, 112 |
| Fred. L. Perry | 71, 85, 97, 107 |
| Harry Crosby | 16, 84, 103, 147 |
| John S. Beck | 30, 40, 69, 148 |
| Wm. D. Wood | 101, 108, 114, 151 |
| Frank P. Simonds | 9, 22, 105, 142, 144 |
| Justin B. Willard | 25, 28, 59, 77 |
| James Oliver | 17, 109, 116, 150, 153 |
| Chas. M. Whelden | 79, 126 |
| Fred. A. Washburn | 46, 146 |
| Oliver H. Ingalls | 130, 137 |
| Daniel F. Kiley | 42, 120 |
| E. W. Thompson | 39, 99, 100 |
| Theo. Leutz | 102 |
| S. Wells Hunt | 8 |
| James A. Black | 27, 61, 65 |
| E. P. Jewett | 1, 3, 55, 117 |
| Thos. L. O'Brien | 26, 58, 62 |
| Geo. A. Fletcher | 63, 92, 121 |
| Thos. Swasey | 50, 89, 95 |
| E. C. Spofford | 47, 91 |
| Chas. Frazer | 48, 54, 96, 115 |
| Ivory R. Allen | 11, 87, 139 |
| Geo. W. Kenny | 66, 125, 128 |
| Geo. H. Innis | 60, 145, 149 |
| Dennis Meehan | 88, 110, 143 |
| Daniel T. Duhig | 81, 119, 138 |
| David Dunbar | 52, 73, 124, 127 |

These visits are for instruction and information, and should be made as soon as possible, at least before Memorial Day. It may be necessary to call special meetings of Posts in some instances. It is hoped that Commanders of Posts will aid the Department officers in this respect. Posts will be expected to exemplify the work of the Order, including Muster-in. Travelling expenses will be assumed by the visiting officers, therefore it is expected that *all local expenses* will be paid by the Post visited. A report of these visits will be made at once to these headquarters on blanks provided for that purpose.

II Comrade David Dunbar of Post 53, Weymouth, is hereby appointed as Aide-de-Camp to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation (on account of sickness) of Comrade W. Y. Gross of Post 143, Brookline

III. The address is wanted at this office of Lieut. Abner R. Mott, Co. I, 21st Mass. Inf., transferred to Co. I, 36th Mass. Inf.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE S. EVANS,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

MEMORIAL DAY.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 5. }

BOSTON, May 4, 1883.

Comrades: In accordance with our Rules and Regulations and General Orders, No. 10, National Headquarters, Wednesday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day.

The Posts of this Department are expected to make suitable arrangements for the proper observance of the day, inviting the public generally to participate with them upon this occasion. Each and every comrade of this Department is expected to throw aside for this day the cares and labors of life, and devote himself to the decoration of the graves of his fallen comrades.

Let no comrade's grave be neglected. See to it that the flag, for whose honor they died, waves over each. Lay upon their graves the laurel and the rose, strew them with the buds and blossoms of spring, and tenderly cherish their memories and the sacrifices they made for a nation redeemed.

From the memories that cluster around their graves bright creations spring up to light the pathway of the living, stimulating them to a nobler thought and a better life. For every loyal form that fell beneath the blood-red stroke of battle a hundred virtues rise in the shape of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, to walk the world and bless it, and every tear that sorrow drops upon the graves of our dead comrades upon Memorial Day sheds a sweet benediction upon the living. Comrades, as you stand beside these honored mounds, vivid memories will arise of the ardent, brave, courageous and generous who lie beneath them. To those comrades life was dear, the ties of home sacred, the hopes and prospects of the future bright, yet moved by the purest patriotism, they voluntarily relinquished *all* for their country's honor.

I confidently hope for such observance of the day as shall testify how revered are the patriotic dead, how sacred the cause in which they fell, and how under our banner of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty we pledge ourselves anew to preserve their memories, and to faithfully guard the charges sealed to us by their precious blood.

I would urge upon my comrades of this Department the necessity of discountenancing upon Memorial Day, every form of amusement, such as boat racing, dancing, etc., which seem to be growing up among us, and which are carried on by unthinking people. Refrain from them, denounce them upon all occasions as a sacrilege upon the day made sacred to the memory of those who died that this nation and country might remain undivided under a common flag.

Comrades will discontinue the use of the words "Decoration Day," which is a misnomer, and hereafter, upon all occasions use the words "Memorial Day," as per vote of the National Encampment at Baltimore, Md., June, 1882.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 6. }

Boston, May 15, 1883.

I. General Orders, No. 11, and circular from National Headquarters are hereby promulgated.

II. *Comrades*:—As we are nearing Memorial Day, and there seems to be at the present time a deep interest manifested in our Order throughout the State, I desire to appeal to all my comrades of this Department for a renewed effort to bring within our fold every worthy and deserving soldier and sailor of the Union. It is very evident that the Memorial Day exercises of this year will be of unusual interest, as the public generally have become interested, and the women and children are ready and anxious to lend a helping hand. Our old comrades in arms outside of our organization are looking on in astonishment at the enthusiasm created over the Grand Army of the Republic today, and it seems to me that this is an opportune time to add to our membership, and to bring into our ranks those men who should be with us upon that day to pay their tribute of honor and respect to their dead comrades. Every comrade can do something towards recruiting his Post; I therefore ask that each comrade take this appeal to himself and do what in him lies to the end that our organization may be strengthened and our ranks filled upon Memorial Day.

III. Post Commanders will use every endeavor to have their comrades in line upon that day, and thus show to the world that we at least have not forgotten the cause for which they died and the sacrifices made by our dead comrades.

IV. Post Chaplains will forward to these headquarters a full account of the Memorial Day exercises of their Posts, also an account of the services held the Sunday preceding, in order that they may at some time be placed in proper shape.

V. A new Post has been organized since the date of last General Order, viz: William H. Freeman Post 129, Millville, John Ferguson, Commander.

VI. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters, viz.: Capt. John D. Brown, Co. B, 43d Regt., U.S.C.T.; Lieut. H. Lee Clark, Co. H, 2d Mass. H.A.; Lieut. Perpeute, Co. E, 2d Mass. Cav.; Lieut. John T. Small, Co. A, 19th Mass. Inf.; Capt. Rufus B. Plummer, Co. C, 20th Mass. Inf.; Corp. Geo. Carter, Co. A, 21st Mass. Inf.; any comrade serving on U.S. Gunboat *Nipsic* in 1864; names of two comrades of Co. A, 1st U.S. Art.; names of any two members of Co. H, 20th Mass. Inf.; Dr. McCall, Surgeon in charge of Mt. Pleasant Hospital, Washington, D. C., 1864; also Dr. Fransau, Surgeon, same Hospital; also the address of one Brewster, of the guards of 2d Div. Hospital supply train, in May, 1864.

VII. Post No. 5 of Lynn notifies these headquarters that John J. Mason is not in good standing in that Post, and is not worthy of assistance.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 7 }

BOSTON, June 30, 1883.

I. I wish to call the special attention of Post Commanders to the necessity for promptness in forwarding reports for the present quarter.

The reports from the Department must be sent to National Headquarters at Omaha by July 15, to entitle the Department to representation at Denver. In order to accomplish this, the reports from Posts must all be at these headquarters not later than July 10. I trust that Post Commanders will attend to this matter, and see that their reports are ready and forwarded at once.

II. I would call the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports before forwarding them, as much valuable time is lost in being obliged to return reports for correction. This can all be avoided by the exercise of a little care, and by following the instructions given on each blank form. All Posts from whom *correct* reports have not been received by the 15th of July will be reported in General Orders, in accordance with instructions from National Encampment.

III. The following new Posts have been organized since last General Orders:—

MARTHA SEVER POST 154 of Kingston, Geo. H. Bonney, Jr., Commander.

MARCUS KEEP POST 155 of Monson, Alvin A. Gage, Commander.

JAMES A. PERKINS POST 156 of Everett, Wm. H. Dennett, Commander.

IV. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters, viz.:—Any enlisted men of Co. H, 14th U.S. Infantry, engaged in the second battle of Bull Run, Aug. 30, 1862. Any member of the crew on U.S. Steamer *Montgomery* off Wilmington, N.C., 1863 and 1864. Two members of Co. E, 13th Mass. Infantry, who served in said company from July 2, 1861, to April 12, 1863, who knew James B. Dunn. Any two members of the 18th V R.C. stationed at Annapolis Junction in June, 1864.

V. The findings and sentences of the court-martial of Benj. T. Reed and Daniel O'Donovan of Post 5, Lynn, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VI. General Orders, No. 12, and Circular from National Headquarters are hereby promulgated.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

[CIRCULAR.]

BOSTON, MASS., July 10, 1883.

The Department Commander, Assistant Adjutant-General and Delegates to the National Encampment will leave Boston on Wednesday evening, July 18, for Denver, Col., to attend the Eighteenth Annual Encampment.

During the absence of the Assistant Adjutant-General, these headquarters will be under the charge of Asst. Q M -Gen. Charles O. Fellows, whose office hours will be from 2 to 5 P.M., except Saturday.

As most of the business and correspondence pertaining to the Department will have to lay over until the return of the Assistant Adjutant-General, I trust that comrades will govern themselves accordingly, and make no request of these headquarters, except what is absolutely necessary, until his return, which will be some time during the week beginning August 5.

The office will be open as usual from 9 to 12 A.M. and 2 to 4 P.M., a young man being in attendance to furnish *necessary* supplies.

I would again urge upon Post Commanders, who have not already done so, the necessity of at once sending in their Quarterly Reports for the second quarter, as it is absolutely necessary that the consolidated Report of the Department be made up before our departure for the National Encampment.

Trusting that my comrades will be governed by the request of this Circular,

I am yours in F , C. and L ,

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 8. }

BOSTON, Sept. 11, 1883.

I. The Department Commander feels proud to be able to say to his comrades of the Department that Massachusetts was represented by its full delegation at the National Encampment at Denver, Colo., and that, while smaller in numbers than some of the other Departments, its influence for good was the equal of any Department represented.

The Convention, as a whole, was a complete success, both in the transaction of the business regularly brought before it, and in the selection of officers for the ensuing year. The reports of the various officers were full of encouragement, especially that of the Adjutant-General, in which he shows the wonderful gain in membership during the past year of 75,000 comrades. With a membership, July 1, of 180,000 comrades in good standing, we have every reason to be proud of our organization. The immense gains in the West should be an incentive for renewed action on our part to bring within the ranks of our Order all the worthy and deserving soldiers and sailors of the Union, and I appeal to my comrades, from Berkshire to the Cape, to buckle on the armor with a determination that our "glorious" Department shall be kept well up in the front numerically, so that in the next National Encampment it cannot be said that Massachusetts has been behind in the advancement of our organization.

The reception and entertainment of the delegates were all that could be desired. The G. A. R. of Colorado, the citizens, the municipal authorities of Denver, and especially the State authorities, are deserving of our deep gratitude for the warmth of the reception, their many kindnesses, and the excellent opportunity afforded all of witnessing the wonderful scenery and advancement of the State of Colorado.

II. The New England delegation to the National Encampment adopted resolutions complimentary to the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul

R.R., which are so well deserved that they are herewith enclosed, with the request that they be read at the next Post meeting.

III. I feel that I would be derelict in my duty were I to fail to express my high appreciation of the valuable services rendered this department during our absence by the Asst. Q.M-Gen., Charles O. Fellows. The prompt and able manner in which he discharged all the duties of the Assistant Adjutant-General's office, his coolness and decision during the terrible suspense consequent upon the reported accident to our train (and for which he has been commended by so many of his comrades), deserves the gratitude of the comrades throughout the Department.

IV. General Orders, Nos. 13 and 14, with circular from National Headquarters, with General Orders, No. 1, current series, are hereby promulgated. The above Orders were *not* received at these headquarters until August 9, hence the delay in sending them out.

V. Correct reports from one hundred and fifty-one Posts of this Department, for second quarter ending June 30, were received at this office within the time allowed, for which they have the thanks of the Department Commander. The remaining five Posts, viz, Post 20, Colerain; Post 92, Brighton; Post 135, Shrewsbury; Post 137, East Douglas; and Post 150, Montague, are consequently announced in arrears for reports, in accordance with paragraph II, General Orders, No. 7, from these headquarters. It is to be hoped that a repetition of this report will not be necessary.

VI. The following new Posts have been organized since last General Orders:—

ELBRIDGE B. PIPER POST 157, Walpole, Geo. E. Craig, Commander.

CAPT. E. T. DRESSER POST 156, Housatonic, Wm. McDonald, Commander.

JOHN A. HAWES POST 159, East Boston, Flavel Shurtleff, Commander.

VII. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Any member of Co E, 9th Mass. Infantry; Lieut. Henry G. Morey, Co. D, 49th Mass.; Sergeant James Gibson, 13th Mass., afterwards Adjutant, 59th Mass.; Lieut. Duett C. Clark, Co. F or M, 3d Mass. Cavalry; Capt. Marsh A. Ferris, Co I, 30th Mass.

VIII. It is the desire of the Trustees of the "Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts" that the Subscription Cards issued to the Posts of this Department be returned to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

IX. The findings and sentences of the court-martial of James W. Cranshaw of Post 47, Haverhill, and John J. Mason of Post 5, Lynn, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 9. }

BOSTON, Oct. 10, 1883.

I. The new National Countersign having been forwarded to Post Commanders, it should be promulgated at the next Post meeting *only* to members in good standing.

II. Comrade E. P. Gibbs, Chief Mustering Officer, having tendered his resignation, on account of removal from the State, the same is hereby accepted. The Commander cannot part with Comrade Gibbs without expressing his gratitude for the prompt, faithful and earnest manner in which he has performed all duties devolving upon him, and for the deep interest he has always taken in the welfare of the Department. Hoping that in his new field of labor he may find a bright and prosperous future, and realizing fully that our Department's loss will be Michigan's gain, we bid him a hearty God-speed.

III. Aide-de-Camp A. M. Lunt is hereby appointed Chief Mustering Officer of the Department. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

IV. The Department Inspector has completed his arrangements for the fall inspection. Commanders of Posts will render the Inspecting Officers all the assistance possible in the discharge of their duties. It may be necessary to call special meetings of Posts in some instances. Posts will be expected to exemplify the work of the Order, including Opening and Muster-in. Travelling expenses will be assumed by the Department, therefore it is expected that *all local expenses* will be paid by the Post inspected. A report of these inspections will be made at once to these headquarters on blanks provided for that purpose.

The following comrades will inspect the new Posts assigned to them : S.V.C. John D. Billings, Post 159; J.V.C. Wm. A. Sloane, Post 160; A.Q.M.-G. C. O. Fellows, 156; Inspector H. A. Sawyer, 47; Chief Mustering Officer A. M. Lunt will inspect the Posts formerly assigned to his predecessor; Aides-de-Camp Samuel A. Cushing, 154; F. L. Perry, 155; Justin B. Willard, 129; C. M. Whelden, 158; O. A. Ingalls, 157.

Assistant Inspectors will enter upon their work immediately, in order that *every* Post in the Department may be inspected by the first of December. They will forward their reports to these headquarters as soon as possible after inspections. There must not be a Post neglected this year. Assistant Inspectors who cannot perform their whole duty will notify these headquarters in due season.

V. The National Council of Administration having made large contracts by which the prices of supplies have been reduced, the Department Commander feels pleased to be able to announce that these headquarters will hereafter furnish badges at 60 cents each, Rules and Regulations at 5 cents per copy, and applications for membership at the rate of 50 cents per hundred.

I would suggest that the price of the badge now be charged in the muster-in fee, and that the badge presentation, which is most significant and impressive when properly done, be adopted by the Posts of this Department. This service adds greatly to the value of our honorable badge. The reduction in the price of Rules and Regulations should warrant the presentation of a copy to each comrade upon his becoming a member of the Order. Lack of knowledge of these rules has frequently caused misunderstanding in Posts. The price of applications for membership having been reduced one-half, Post Commanders should see to it that there is always a sufficient supply on hand.

VI. The following new Post has been organized since last General Order:—

ALANSON HAMILTON POST 160, West Brookfield, J. G. Warren, Commander.

VII. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Wm. Nichols, Jr., Surgeon 3d Mass. Heavy Artillery, or George E. Pinkham, Assistant Surgeon same regiment; Sergeant 25th Mass. Infantry who had charge of Camp Pickett near Newburn, N.C., in the spring of 1865; John A. Urich, Private, Co. K, 15th N. J. H.A.;

Capt. John McDonald, 13th Invalid Corps, Camp Berry, Portland, Me. Any member of Co. F, 24th Mass., between October, 1861, to June, 1864.

VIII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Michael Ford of Post 58, Weymouth, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE.

Assistant Adjutant-General.

GEORGE S. EVANS,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 10. }

BOSTON, Nov. 20, 1883.

I. The Department Commander desires to draw the attention of Post Commanders and Quartermasters to the matter of suspended members. The first quarter of this year showed a suspended membership of 463; second quarter, 496; and the third quarter, 429. The Commander feels that this is far in excess of what it should be, for in looking over the suspended lists he finds the names of many comrades who would feel badly if they knew they were suspended, and who would cheerfully pay their dues upon solicitation to do so. He would therefore impress upon Commanders the necessity of seeing to it that Quartermasters do their whole duty in this matter. While he desires a strict compliance with the Rules and Regulations in the matter of suspensions, he is satisfied that the number can be greatly reduced if the Quartermaster makes a special effort to collect the dues, and he trusts that such an effort will be made this quarter, in order that we may make a better showing Jan 1, 1884. While our Department is making a steady and healthy gain in membership, we should realize that every suspended member is one lost.

II. For several years past the number of requests for special assignment of installing officers has been on the increase, and on many occasions the requests are made so late that the assignments cannot be made. The Chief Mustering Officer desires to comply with all requests made in this direction, and would urge upon Posts having a particular choice in this matter, the necessity of making early application to these headquarters for such details. It would be well to make the selection the night the officers are elected or as soon thereafter as possible.

III. A year's supply of blank Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports with envelopes have been sent to each Post Commander. If the same have not been received, notice should be sent to these headquarters without delay.

IV. Attention is called to the election of Post officers, delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment, one delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing for third quarter ending September 30, with one additional for more than one-half that number, but every Post, whatever its membership, shall be entitled to one delegate. This election *must* be held at the *first regular* meeting in December. Herewith enclosed find blank credentials for reporting the same; one copy *only* is to be forwarded to this office.

V. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters:—

Patrick Gately, 69th New York Infantry; any members of Co. F, 7th Maine Regiment, who served from '61 to '63, who knew Wm. Folteen of

said company; Benj T. O. Snow, Quartermaster Sergeant Co. B, 1st Mass. Cavalry; the Surgeon at Point Lookout from '62 to '64; Henry Barnes, Surgeon 54th Mass. Infantry; Capt. Charles G. Chipman, Co. D, 54th Mass. Infantry.

VI. A badge was found in Boston having engraved thereon the name of John McDermott, Co. H, 5th Ohio, which the owner can have by applying to Capt. John D. Miller, Commander of Post 29, Waltham, and proving property.

VII. A badge of personal valor presented by Congress to one who served in the Navy has been found, which the owner can have by calling at these headquarters and proving property.

VIII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of V. P. Parkhurst of Post 109, East Templeton, are hereby approved, and said Parkhurst is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

BOSTON, Dec. 1, 1883.

[CIRCULAR.]

Through the courtesy of the Directors of the Foreign Exhibition in Boston, an invitation has been extended to the Posts of this Department to visit the exhibition free of charge. In accordance with this invitation, the Department Commander has assigned Wednesday, December 12, as Grand Army Day, when all comrades in good standing, appearing in uniform or with G.A.R. badge, will be admitted free during the day and evening.

Arrangements are also being made for a reduction of fares on the different lines of railroads, and it is safe to say that a generous reduction will be made on the majority of the lines, if not upon all.

Posts accepting this invitation, and who will attend in a body in the evening, are requested to notify these headquarters at once, in order that proper assignment may be made, giving the probable number of comrades that will attend. It is the desire of the Department Commander that such Posts march to the Fair in a body. Posts will therefore report to the Assistant Adjutant-General, whose headquarters will be near the centre gate of the Charles Street Mall, on Boston Common, immediately upon their arrival on the ground, when they will be assigned their positions in line.

The column will leave the Common *promptly* at 7.15 o'clock, P.M. Posts unable to reach the Common by that hour will proceed direct to the Fair on Huntington Avenue.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 11. }

BOSTON, Dec. 26, 1883.

I. General Orders, Nos. 6 and 7, from National Headquarters, are hereby promulgated.

II. COMRADES: Since the last General Orders death has visited our Department, and removed from our midst one of our best known and most highly respected Past Department Chaplains, Comrade the Rev. WARREN H. CUDWORTH, of Joseph Hooker Post No 23. By his death the Department of Mass. G.A.R. and every soldier of the Commonwealth has lost one of the most genial, devoted and charitable friends. Whether as Chaplain of that gallant regiment, the First Massachusetts, in which he took so much pride, or at the side of that noble old soldier, Gen. Joe Hooker, whom he loved so dearly, he was ever ready to extend a helping hand and a kind word to his comrades when opportunity offered. His large-heartedness, his generosity to the needy and destitute, his uniform kindness to soldiers of every grade and condition, endeared him to every member of our organization. During the past year he had become thoroughly interested in our Soldiers' Home, and had conducted the Sunday services on several occasions, much to the gratification of the inmates and of all concerned, and we had hoped that in the future he might have been one of the bright rays of sunshine that would make glad the hearts of those who were sorrowing or suffering in that noble institution. As a soldier, Comrade Cudworth was universally loved and admired; as a citizen, he was esteemed and respected by all classes; and as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and its Department Chaplain, he had won the affection and admiration of every comrade with whom he had become associated. His record on the field was a glorious one. Upon his return home, he resumed his chosen profession, and it can be truly said of him, "He died in the service of his Master."

"Tender and loving and hot tears flow
 For the kindly and loyal heart laid low;
 But ever calm and sweet is the sleep
 Of him, whom God and the angels keep."

III. The following named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| George S. Evans, Department Commander, Cambridge, | 21, 40, 60, 68, |
| | 102 |
| John D. Billings, Department S.V. Commander, Cambridgeport, | 10, 94, |
| | 159 |
| W. A. Sloane, Department J.V. Commander, Spencer | 37 |
| Richard F. Tobin, C. of A., South Boston | 23, 56, 57, 63 |
| Alfred C. Monroe, A.A.G., Boston | 13, 26 |
| C. O. Fellows, A.Q.M.-G., Chelsea | 156 |
| A. M. Lunt, Chief Mustering Officer, East Cambridge | 33, 66, 132 |

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| J. G. B. Adams, Past Department Commander, Lynn | 50 |
| Geo. H. Patch, Past Department Commander, South Framingham . . | 30 |
| Edward W. Rhodes, Attleboro | 133 |
| F. O. Barnes, Chelsea | 35 |
| Geo. O. Vinal, Scituate | 31 |
| A. A. Smith, Colerain | 93 |
| Hawks Fearing, Hingham | 104 |
| Geo. C. Joslin, South Boston | 5 |
| John S. Beck, Medford | 4, 12 |
| George R. Pierce, Shelburne Falls | 20 |
| Oliver H. Ingalls, Franklin | 130 |
| J. Frank Dalton, Salem | 34, 82 |
| C. H. Richardson, Lowell | 42 |
| John A. Pratt, Quincy | 88 |
| Geo. L. Goodale, Medford | 120 |
| S. T. Chamberlain, Gardner | 153 |
| J. Albert Blake, Danvers | 90 |
| Charles Hardy, Stoneham | 75 |
| H. S. Bunton, Hyde Park | 121 |
| H. T. Bingham, Manchester | 152 |
| E. P. Simpson, South Framingham | 142 |
| T. C. Lucas, Taunton | 3 |
| Chas. A. Tenney, Sterling | 59 |
| Galan Hollis, Randolph | 110 |
| Geo. T. Fayweather, Westboro | 96 |
| W. S. Frost, Marlboro | 43, 80 |
| Henry P. Woodbury, Beverly | 89 |
| Geo. H. Innis, South Boston | 149 |
| A. W. Wells, Adams | 126 |
| A. W. Fulton, North Adams | 79 |
| Wm. M. Olin, Roxbury | 11, 18 |
| Andrew J. Smith, New Bedford | 1 |
| James Noonan, Lawrence | 100 |
| Charles H. Leonard, Plymouth | 76 |
| Harry Crosby, Holyoke | 147 |
| John Scates, South Boston | 7 |
| Wm. R. Vinning, South Abington | 78 |
| Theo. L. Kelly, Boston | 2, 15 |
| S. J. Fowler, Brookfield | 38 |
| Benj. Pitman, Marblehead | 128 |
| Geo. H. Walker, East Douglas | 105 |
| E. P. Clark, Westfield | 103 |
| P. Allen Lindsley, Cambridge | 36 |
| Benj. A. Bridges, Holliston | 6 |
| Chauncey Morse, Millbury | 70 |
| Alex. Smart, Merrimack | 114 |
| R. W. Rand, Orange | 140 |
| David L. Hodges, Dedham | 144 |
| Samuel A. Cushing, Jr. | 98 |
| Chas. Grey, Athol | 150 |
| A. M. Tilton, Haverhill | 47 |
| L. C. Lane, Waltham | 29 |
| W. E. Day, Georgetown | 108 |
| Wm. H. Seymour, Charlestown | 134 |

IV. The Commanders of the above indicated Posts will communicate at once with their mustering officers, giving time and place of installation. In case the comrade designated above for any Post cannot

be present, and where no comrade has been detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer, any National or Department officer or past Post Commander (in his own Post) in good standing (except the retiring Commander) may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until *all reports and dues have been forwarded* (See page 51 of the Service Book.)

V. Blank bond for Post Quartermaster is hereby forwarded to each Post. Blank credentials have been furnished, on which the return of election of Post Commanders, Delegates and Alternates is to be made. It is hoped that Commanders who have not forwarded a copy already will do so at once, in order that the Roll Call for the Department Encampment may be completed.

VI At the coming session of the Department Encampment, which will be held in this city, January 30 and 31, it is proposed to have a banquet at the close of the meeting. Distinguished comrades and citizens will grace the occasion with their presence, and give words of cheer. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are desired to send immediately to this office, on the enclosed card, the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the above entertainment, at an expense not to exceed \$1.00. Only 500 tickets can be issued, on account of the capacity of the hall.

VII. The addresses of the following named persons are wanted at these headquarters: *Joseph Kiley* or *Peter Beethern*, who served on U.S. bark *Midnight*, U S. Navy, who came north on prize schooner *Defy*; any member of Co. D, 18th Mass. Regt., present at the battle of the Wilderness, May 5, 1864.

VIII. The comrades of this Department are cautioned against giving assistance to a well dressed man, calling himself C. C. Curtis, claiming to be a past commander of a Post in Peoria, Ill. He is a first-class fraud. Said Curtis is well posted in G.A.R. work, is about forty years old, florid complexion, auburn hair and moustache, weighing about 180 lbs. Look out for him! The Commander of the Post at Peoria says: "No such man ever belonged to this Post, and there never was a Post named 'Mansfield' in Peoria."

By command of

A. M. LUNT,
Chief Mustering Officer.

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,)
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,)
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6.)

GENERAL ORDERS,)
No. 12.)

BOSTON, Jan. 15, 1884

I. The Annual Encampment of this Department, for the election of Department Officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, will be convened in Faneuil Hall, Boston, on Wednesday Evening, January 30, at 7 o'clock, and be continued Thursday, Jan. 31, at Tremont Temple.

Posts are entitled to the following ratio of representation: One delegate for every fifty members reported in good standing, Sept. 30, 1883, with one additional for a final fraction of more than one-half that number; but each Post, whatever its numbers, shall be entitled

to at least one delegate. Post Commanders are members of the Encampment by virtue of their office, but in the absence of the Commander, the Senior Vice-Commander may represent the Post, or in the absence of both, the Junior Vice-Commander may act.

II. Immediately after the adjournment of the Encampment a banquet will take place at Faneuil Hall, to which have been invited some of the most prominent comrades of our Order, as well as many of our most distinguished citizens. The price per ticket has been set at \$1 00 and as only 500 can be issued, it is absolutely necessary that delegates desiring them send in their names, through the Post Commanders, to these headquarters immediately.

III. The Commander of Post 30, Cambridgeport, will detail an Officer of the Day, an Officer of the Guard, and six comrades for guard and other duty during the Encampment. The Officer of the Day, with his detail, will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General, at Faneuil Hall, at 6 P.M., on the 30th, for instructions.

IV. The Trustees of the Soldiers' Home are desirous that comrades and friends visit the Home at any time. They especially desire that all members of the Encampment and comrades visiting this city at that time will reach Boston early enough on Wednesday, 30th instant, to visit the Home during the day. Free transportation will be furnished to all comrades desiring it, upon application at these headquarters.

V. The address of some shipmate who was on board the U.S. steam gunboat *Genessee*, which sailed from Boston July 5, 1862, is wanted at these headquarters.

By command of

GEORGE S. EVANS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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BOSTON, Jan. 23, 1884.

[SPECIAL CIRCULAR.]

At the Annual Encampment of this Department, to be held in Faneuil Hall, Boston, on Wednesday Evening, January 30, to be continued Thursday, January 31, at Tremont Temple, it is hoped there will be a large representation, not only of Post Commanders, and delegates or alternates, but all officers of Posts; and while the floor of the Hall will be devoted to the members of the Encampment, the galleries will be free to all comrades who may give the National countersign to the guard.

The same plan of admission to the Encampment will be enforced as last year, viz:

I. A Red Ticket for each Department Officer and Past Department Commander entitled to a seat in the Encampment. The coupon to be surrendered at the door, where the National countersign will be demanded by, and given to the guard.

II. A White Ticket for each Post Commander whose Post has made complete returns, and is therefore entitled to representation at this meeting. This ticket is not transferable, except under the following circumstances: If a Post Commander is unable to be present, the Senior

Vice-Commander may represent him, and in case neither the Post Commander nor Senior Vice-Commander can be present, the Junior Vice-Commander may attend. The coupon will be given up at the door, where the National Countersign will be given to the guard.

III. A Blue Ticket for each Delegate according to the representation the Post is entitled to in accordance with the Rules and Regulations. If the delegate to whom the ticket is addressed is unable to attend the Encampment, he may erase his name, and assign the same to *his* or any other regularly elected alternate, whose name should be plainly written on the back of the ticket and coupon. The latter will be surrendered at the door, where the National countersign will be demanded by, and given to the guard.

The above tickets are herewith enclosed to the comrades that are in good standing. The coupons will be taken up at the evening session (the 30th), and the ticket proper at the session on the 31st. Commanders of Posts will, without delay, communicate the above information to their delegates and the comrades of the Post.

At the close of the Encampment on the 31st, Thursday, at 3 P.M., a banquet will take place in Faneuil Hall. His Excellency Governor Robinson and other gentlemen distinguished in civil and military life will be present.

All banquet tickets engaged will be reserved and delivered to the Commander or representative of each Post Wednesday the 30th, at Department Headquarters, or at Faneuil Hall in the evening, and also at Tremont Temple before noon the 31st.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 13. }

BOSTON, MASS., JAN. 24, 1884.

Comrades: As the year for which I was elected Department Commander is fast drawing to a close, and as there are thousands of comrades in the Department whom I will probably never meet again, I desire in this my last General Order to bid all an affectionate farewell. I desire also to heartily congratulate the Department upon its exceedingly prosperous condition, upon the good will and harmony which prevails within its ranks, and upon the very gratifying results of the year's work, as will be shown by the reports of the Department Officers to be presented at the Annual Encampment.

The year has been one of active, unceasing and determined work, and I am happy to say that its results have not been barren, for the Department will show by far its greatest strength, as well as its largest expenditure for charitable purposes.

And now, comrades, as I am about to retire from the proudest position of my life, the Commander of our noble organization in this State, I bid those whom I shall not meet at the Encampment an official farewell. I thank all for the generous confidence, kindly greetings and many courtesies received during the year, and as I shall once more take my place in the ranks of an organization of which I am proud to be even the humblest member, I shall carry with me the happy remembrance of many of the most pleasant meetings of my life.

Comrades, let me bespeak for my successor, whoever he may be, that same cordial and hearty support which I have received at all times and upon every occasion. Let us renew our obligations to the Order, pledging ourselves to renewed interest in our Department, which is today almost a legion strong, and which in the seventeen years of its existence has ever been true to the principles upon which it has been founded, — fraternity among comrades, kindness and care for the needy and distressed, and loyalty to country. It has ever been united in good works, never vacillating from the lofty principles which should govern us, and we now stand secure in the estimation of the public throughout the Commonwealth, and recognized as a power and an institution throughout the land.

I am, comrades, yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

GEORGE S EVANS,
Department Commander.

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

1883.

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| JOHN W. LEE, <i>Chaplain</i> | Wakefield. |

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| A. C. MONROE, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | 12 Pemberton Sq., Room 6, Boston. |
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| E. P. GIBBS, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Hudson. |

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| A. M. LUNT, | East Cambridge. | DENNIS MEEHAN, | Boston. |
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Past Department Commanders.

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| AUSTIN S. CUSHMAN, | New York. | WILLIAM COGSWELL, | Salem. |
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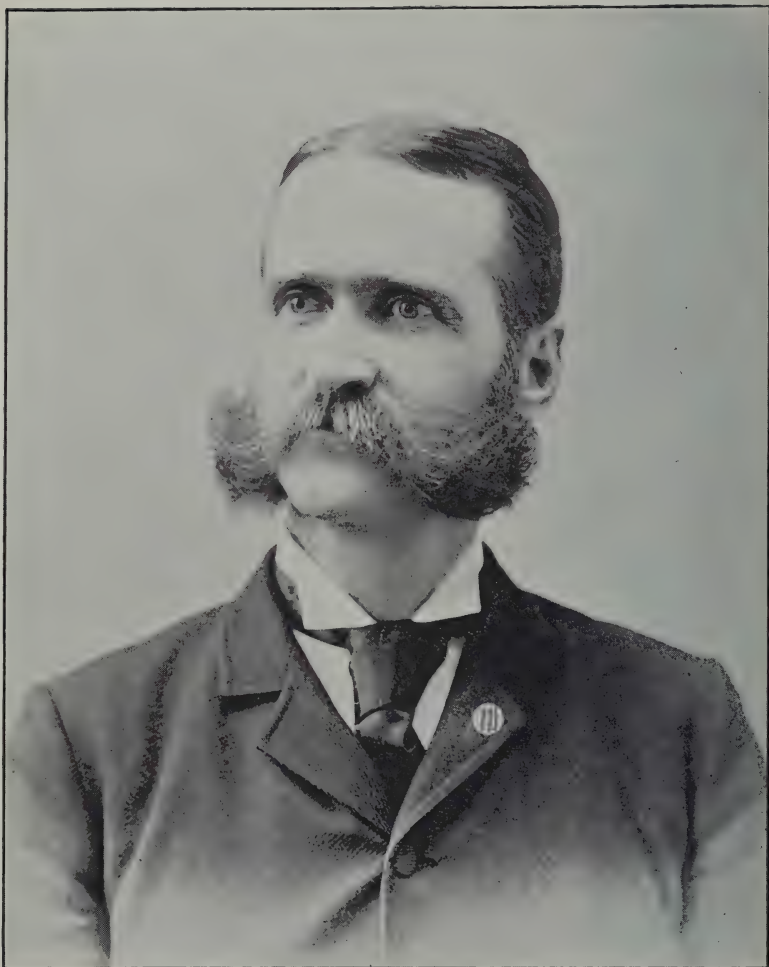
| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
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| Wm. Logan Rodman . | 1 | New Bedford | James L. Wilber | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren | 2 | South Boston | Geo. C. Joslin 175 K Street | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett | 3 | Taunton | Joshua W. Brewer | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant | 4 | Melrose | James Pope | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander | 5 | Lynn | Chas. H. Baker Box 23 | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman | 6 | Holliston | Daniel F. Travis | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell . | 7 | Boston | A. E. Perkins 22½ Walpole Street | Friday |
| E. W. Pierce | 8 | Middleboro | F. E. Wood Box 442 | Saturday |
| Reno | 9 | Hudson | Rufus Howe | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward | 10 | Worcester | Wm. L. Robinson 13 Mechanics Street | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln | 11 | Charlestown | Zoeth R. Knowles 77 Pearl Street | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| H. M. Warren | 12 | Wakefield | S. B. Dearborn | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster | 13 | Brockton | Geo. A. Grant Box 443 | Thursday |
| C. C. Phillips | 14 | Hopkinton | T. N. Drawbridge | Wednesday |
| John A. Andrew | 15 | Boston | Dennis Linehan Custom House | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox | 16 | Springfield | James O. Smith 56 High Street | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick | 17 | Orange | R. W. Rand | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott | 18 | Ashland | John H. Balcom | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner | 19 | Fitchburg | James Cuthbert | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf | 20 | Colerain | David W. Snow | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Friedrich Hecker | 21 | Boston | Theodore Leutz 8 Williams Court | 1st and 3d Sun. |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher . . . | 22 | Milford | Geo. L. Maynard | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker | 23 | East Boston | Wm. H. H. Emmons 48 Eutaw Street | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| A. B. R. Sprague | 24 | Grafton | Jas. W. McKinzie | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge | 25 | Uxbridge | E. J. Hill | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson | 26 | Roxbury | Charles H. Hovey | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Charles Devens | 27 | Oxford | John A. Taft | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells | 28 | West Boylston | W. L. G. Haskins | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers | 29 | Waltham | John G. Miller Box 439 | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| William H. Smart | 30 | Cambridgeport | Horace J. Gray Bristol Street | Thursday |
| George W. Perry | 31 | Scituate | A. A. Seaverns North Scituate | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington | 32 | South Boston | A. C. Belcher Boston Post-Office | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Burbank | 33 | Woburn | J. H. Canton | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan | 34 | Salem | Albert J. Lowd | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop | 35 | Chelsea | Chas. O. Fellows Savings Bank | Thursday |
| Francis Gould | 36 | Arlington | John H. Hardy 23 Court Street | 1st and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns | 37 | Spencer | Geo. L. Smith | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Dexter | 38 | Brookfield | J. A. Josselyn | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham | 39 | Lawrence | Wm. D. Curtis 73 Haverhill Street | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry | 40 | Malden | W. W. Sampson | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Lyon | 41 | Westfield | Chas. H. Clark | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| B. F. Butler | 42 | Lowell | Geo. H. Richardson 204 Bridge Street | Thursday |
| John A. Rawlins | 43 | Marlboro | E. C. Marsh | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols | 44 | Fayville | S. F. Draper | Monday |
| Colonel Allen | 45 | Gloucester | Charles H. Parsons | Thursday |
| Richard Borden | 46 | Fall River | John H. Abbott | Thursday |
| Major How | 47 | Haverhill | Wm. H. Johnson Rear 108 Washg'ton St. | Tuesday |
| George S. Boutwell | 48 | Ayer | John Q. A. McCollester | 1st Thursday |
| A. W. Bartlett | 49 | Newburyport | John A. Bean | Friday |
| Union | 50 | Peabody | Wm. H. Hildreth Box 173 | Monday |

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| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | North Brookfield... | John S. Cooke | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | South Easton..... | Ellis R. Holbrook..... | 2d and last Thurs. |
| | | | (Cochesett) | |
| Charles H. Stevens... | 53 | Leominster | Madison Beals | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | Berlin | John L. Bruce | 1st and 2d Tues. |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | Taunton..... | Simoon T. Wilber..... | Monday |
| | | | Whittenton Mills } | |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge | Daniel T. Duhig..... | Monday |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge... | J. F. Capelle..... | Wednesday |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | East Weymouth } | |
| Major J. A. Pratt.... | 59 | Sterling | Edward F. Winn..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin | 60 | Franklin | Oliver H. Ingalls..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Nathaniel Lyon | 61 | Webster..... | E. P. Morton..... | 2d and 3d Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | W. A. Wetherbee..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | Frank P. Simonds..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | Louis L. Stone..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | Henry C. Bruce..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | John S. Beck..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | Henry T. Bingham..... | Friday |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester | Herbert S. Cole..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | 459 Washington Street } | |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | E. S. Kendall..... | Alternate Sat. |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | Rodney D. Loomis..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | Harry Crosby..... | Tuesday |
| | | | Box 453 } | |
| A. St. John Chambré.. | 72 | Stoughton..... | Lysander Wood..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | A. H. Wright..... | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | Isaac Hopkins..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | R. K. Brown..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | Alonzo H. Perry..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | Isaac Damon..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington... | Timothy Reed..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams | Peter Snyder..... | Friday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | Geo. T. Fayweather..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | H. W. Martin..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| John Goodwin, Jr.... | 82 | Marblehead..... | Wm. H. Brown..... | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | W. R. Howes..... | Last Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield... | Dexter F. Hager..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | Geo. S. Marsh..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | Northampton | W. C. Pomeroy..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree... | Henry A. Monk..... | Friday |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | Isaac M. Holt..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr.... | 89 | Beverly..... | James Maguire..... | Thursday |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | P. H. O'Connell..... | Monday |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxboro..... | A. L. Bundy..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis Washburn... | 92 | Brighton | Benj. F. Sandborn..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls... | G. R. Pierce..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | Alexander R. Holmes..... | 2d and last Thur. |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | Saugus..... | James H. Boyce..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| | | | East Saugus } | |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | D. M. Bailey..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | Geo. M. Abbey..... | 1st Monday |
| Henry Brvant..... | 98 | Cohasset..... | Chas. A. Gross..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett.. | 99 | Andover..... | Peter D. Smith..... | 1st Friday |
| William B. Greene.... | 100 | Methuen..... | Ernest Wagner..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | W. W. Ray..... | Thursday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | Geo. A. Fletcher..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | Charles H. Tracy..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | W. H. Thomas..... | 1st Thursday |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | Upton..... | Albert Davis..... | Friday |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | Eugene R. Prior..... | Monday |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | Palmer..... | Wm. Holbrook..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | E. P. Wildes..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton... | B. F. French..... | 1st Thursday |
| Capt. Horace Niles... | 110 | Randolph..... | Wm. A. Croak..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | Henry H. Collamore... } | 1st Saturday |
| | | | North Pembroke } | |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate.... | T. B. Chapman..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| | | | Ridge Hill } | |

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| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | E. H. Richards..... 5 Green St. } | 2d Wednesday |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac..... | Charles O. Roberts..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | M. P. Palmer..... | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | S. T. Chamberlin..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | Wm. F. Gould..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | John R. Merritt..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | John N. Morse..... | 2d Thursday |
| James A. Garfield.... | 120 | Lowell..... | Chas. F. Urann..... 290 Lincoln Street } | Wednesday |
| Timothy Ingraham ... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | Lemuel B. French..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | L. F. Currier..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | James Oliver, Jr..... Box 110, Athol Centre } | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | East Bridgewater.. | W. H. Osborne..... | 1st Thursday |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | Chas. M. Whelden..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams..... | L. H. Smith..... | Alternate Sats. |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | Charles Atwood..... | 2d Saturday |
| Gen. James Appleton.. | 128 | Ipswich..... | Leach Clark..... | Wednesday |
| | 129 | | | |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | Henry A. Walker..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| George H. Thomas.... | 131 | Leicester..... | Jerome Bottomly..... Cherry Valley } | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | S. W. Hunt..... | 1st Saturday |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | Plainville..... | Wm. H. Wade..... | Monday |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston..... | John D. N. R. Powell.. 5 Anderson Street } | Thursday |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | Hammond W. Paige..... | 2d and last Wed. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | Edward W. Hubbard... West Rutland } | 1st Monday |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | East Douglass..... | Geo. H. Walker..... | Thursday |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | West Acton..... | Chas. W. Parker..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | Chas. F. King..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Hubbard V. Smith.... | 140 | Athol..... | W. E. Jacquith..... | Wednesday |
| Frank D. Hammond.... | 141 | Harwich..... | David H. Crowell..... Chathamport } | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxtonville..... | Charles H. Fuller..... South Framingham } | 2d and last Thur. |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | T. W. Clements..... | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | C. A. Taft..... | 2d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | Fred L. LeBaron..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford..... | Charles H. Harrison... 187 Elm Street } | 3d Thursday |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | Amherst..... | H. C. Comins..... North Hadley } | { Tues. on or bef. full moon |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | Wm. A. Snow..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Major G. L. Stearns... | 149 | Charlestown..... | Wm. H. Seymour..... 470 Main Street } | Friday |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | Montague..... | F. A. Fisk..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury..... | Ephraim Bailey..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | Essex..... | Timothy Andrews..... | Wednesday |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | Winchendon..... | C. F. Stearns..... | |



JOHN D. BILLINGS,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1884-85.

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NINETEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
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JANUARY 29 — EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Faneuil Hall, Boston, Jan. 29, 1885, in compliance with General Orders No. 12, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 7.45 P.M., by Department Commander John D. Billings.

Past Commanders were invited to seats upon the platform.

The Officer of the Day reported all present members of the Order.

Prayer was offered by the Department Chaplain, Rev. Richard Eddy, D.D.

The Department Commander declared the Encampment opened in due form, and appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz., the Assistant Adjutant-General, W. W. Scott and Edward McKay of the Council of Administration, Samuel A. Cushing, Jr., Department Inspector, and Aide-de-Camp W. A. Wetherbee.

On motion of Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68, the reading of the records was dispensed with.

Assistant Adjutant-General A. C. Monroe read the following despatch: —

AKRON, O., Jan. 29, 1885.

The representatives of thirty thousand comrades of the Department of Ohio, in Annual Encampment assembled, send fraternal greetings to the comrades of the Department of Massachusetts.

H. P. LLOYD,
Department Commander.

By vote of the Encampment, the Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed to respond.

Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Dervoort of Omaha, Neb., and Past Department Commander James Tanner of Brooklyn, N.Y., were escorted to the platform amid a storm of applause.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows: —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment . | 554 |
| Number present | 439 |

Divided as follows: —

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| Department officers | 14 |
| Past Department Commanders | 6 |
| Post Commanders | 130 |
| Delegates | 289 |
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| Total | 439 |

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1885.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | JOHN D. BILLINGS. |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | JOHN W. HERSEY |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | RICHARD F. TOBIN. |
| <i>Medical Director</i> | JAMES OLIVER, JR. |
| <i>Chaplain</i> | REV. RICHARD EDDY. |

Council of Administration.

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| W. W. SCOTT. | J. CUSHING THOMAS. | JOHN McDONOUGH. |
| EDWARD McKAY. | | CHARLES H. TRACY. |

Official Staff.

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| <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | ALFRED C. MONROE. |
| <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i> | THOMAS E. BARKER. |
| <i>Inspector</i> | SAMUEL A. CUSHING, JR. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | GEO. H. BONNEY, JR. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| AUSTIN S CUSHMAN. | GEORGE S. MERRILL. |
| JOHN G. B. ADAMS. | GEORGE W. CREASEY. |
| GEORGE H. PATCH. | GEORGE S. EVANS. |

[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

- POST 1. Commander Fred A. Washburn, Freeman C. Luce, Nathaniel H. Greene, Geo. P. Gifford, Chas. T. Burgess.
- POST 2. Commander Arthur Neilson, J. Payson Bradley, John H. O'Donnell, George H. Innis, William F. Clarke.
- POST 3. Commander Albert M. Clark, Henry D. White, Geo. E. Dean, Gustavus T. Fisher.
- POST 4. Commander Edwin C. Gould, John E. Marshall.
- POST 5. Commander George C. Neal, George D. Stiles, Thomas Peytor, John L. Parker, Horace A. Sawyer, William H. Brown, Charles H. Waitt, Albert A. Davis, Charles Lloyd, Alexander S. Wright, H. F. Seger, Cromwell L. Hill, Charles H. Stratton, William J. Pike, George D. Hart, Lewis O. Kirk, Israel Buffington, John Macfarlane.
- POST 6. Commander Daniel F. Travis, Wm. Birch.

- POST 7. Commander Jeremiah Wakefield, Albert S. Buswell, E. B. Meehan, A. E. Perkins, George B. Pratt, Thad. Churchill, Dennis Meehan.
- POST 8. Commander A. P. Vaughan, C. A. Howes.
- POST 9. Senior Vice-Commander Chas. G. Brigham, Sanborn O. Howe, William H. Trow.
- POST 10. Commander Wm. L. Robinson, S. F. Babbitt, J. K. Churchill, C. N. Walker, T. S. Jenks, Jotham E. Bigelow, Harlan Fairbanks, Thos. O'Gara, George A. Blunt, C. W. Putnam, J. B. Lamb, James F. Meech.
- POST 11. Commander Thomas H. Haskell, Joseph W. Hill, Isaac W. Derby, Zoeth R. Knowles.
- POST 12. Commander Arton S. Atherton, Oliver Walton, R. F. Draper, Wm. N. Tyler, John W. Lee.
- POST 13. Commander Geo. A. Grant, Benj. O. Caldwell, Chas. E. Tribou, Samuel J. Wade.
- POST 14. Commander N. H. Houghton, T. N. Drawbridge.
- POST 15. Commander John A. Keefe, Eleazer B. Loring, Thomas Langlan, George W. Powers, Oliver Downing, W. H. H. Andrews, G. B. Hutchinson.
- POST 16. Senior Vice-Commander Charles H. Allison, N. E. Abbott, F. L. Perry, E. F. Cross, E. W. Lathrop, N. Smith, John Baker, C. R. Kaplinger, J. L. Knight, Geo. Smith
- POST 17. Commander Albert L. Barrett, H. W. Kidder.
- POST 18. Granville C. Fiske.
- POST 19. Junior Vice-Commander Alphonso March, Richard Tucker, John D. Littlehale, B. M. Merchant, James R. Hamilton
- POST 20. D. W. Snow.
- POST 21. Commander Theodore Leutz.
- POST 22. Senior Vice-Commander Joseph Hancock, Thomas Coyne, Henry M. Fisher.
- POST 23. Commander Lyman W. Clark, J. C. Littlefield, Samuel M. Weale, I. H. Holbrook.
- POST 24. George W. Hastings.
- POST 25. E. J. Hill
- POST 26. Commander John E. Killian, Hiram A. Wright, William M. Olin, C. W. C. Rhoades.
- POST 27. Senior Vice-Commander Orrin B. Chaffee, Fred G. Hyde.
- POST 28. Commander J. E. Anderson, Geo. B. Johnson.
- POST 29. Commander William D. Newland, H. P. Ballard, Nelson F. Bond.
- POST 30. Commander Samuel Hall, John W. Walker, P. Allen Lindsey, John Kinnear, E. J. Dolan.
- POST 31. Commander A. A. Seaverns, George W. Wilder
- POST 32. Commander W. J. Blake, W. S. Calif.
- POST 33. Commander Loring J. Hammond, Albert P. Barrett, Thomas H. Hill.
- POST 34. Commander Samuel Worcester, Albert J. Lowd, John O'Connell, Mark Heathcote, Alonzo D. Buxton.
- POST 35. Commander Ivory R. Allen, George W. Marsh, Henry T. Holmes, F. O. Barnes, James T. Lakin, George E. Hussey, Harrison Hinckley,, Dennis O. Brine, John C. Loud.
- POST 36. Commander Horace D. Durgin
- POST 37. Senior Vice-Commander Hiram Chase, C. N. Hancock, Henry Bemis.
- POST 38. E. D. Goodell.
- POST 39. Commander James J. Stanley, George H. Flagg, J. Leroy Lamprey, Daniel F. Kiley, James E. Shepard, David Crockett, A. W. Belcher, A. E. Holt.
- POST 40. Commander J. P. Litch, Samuel Derby, T. Griffin.

- Post 41. Commander E. R. Levy, T. Mann, L. B. Walkley, C. C. Westover.
- Post 42. Commander Frank B. Peabody, M. N. Peabody, Geo. H. Richardson, J. L. Lavidieson, Charles H. Richardson, E. W. Thompson, H. W. Allen, J. P. Maxfield.
- Post 43. Commander J. R. McCrillis, W. S. Frost, E. C. Marsh, J. W. Barnes.
- Post 44. Commander A. P. Greenough, S. F. Draper.
- Post 45. Commander William H. Cross, Charles H. Parsons, Sidney Gardner, Albert C. Andrews.
- Post 46. Commander John H. Abbott, John M. Deane, James Corcoran, John E. Foulds, Frank McGraw, Henry Ogden.
- Post 47. Commander William H. Johnson, John Jackson, Thomas M. Arnold, Jared M. Davis, Walter Goodrich.
- Post 48. Commander Francis Lovejoy.
- Post 49. Commander J. Albert Mills, Thos. E. Cutter, Philip H. Creasey, Luther Carter, Chas. J. Cutter, Leroy G. Weston.
- Post 50. Commander George F. Barnes, Frank E. Farnham, Sidney C. Bancroft.
- Post 51. Commander John S. Cooke, Chas. H. Deyo.
- Post 52. Not represented.
- Post 53. Commander Clesson Kenney, T. A. Hills, J. J. Bailey.
- Post 54. Commander John L. Bruce, Fred Miller.
- Post 55. George Allen.
- Post 56. Commander Dexter Jewett, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, John Read.
- Post 57. Commander Charles O. Welch, J. F. Capelle, A. M. Lunt, J. S. Kenny.
- Post 58. Commander Benj. S. Lovell, John M. Whitcomb, Charles W. Hastings, Geo. A. Cushing, Francis A. Bicknell.
- Post 59. Senior Vice-Commander Warren E. Burpee, George W. Rockwood.
- Post 60. Commander William E. Nason, William M. Comey.
- Post 61. Wilbur F. Sanford, R. L. Day.
- Post 62. Commander W. A. Wetherbee, J. Torrey Swett, D. A. Conant.
- Post 63. Commander Daniel E. George, Frank P. Simonds, Charles P. Currier, Daniel W. Ricker.
- Post 64. Commander Wm. Lourie, Louis L. Stone, Jeremiah Stuart.
- Post 65. Commander Robert P. Bestick, F. H. Moore, Amos Bliss.
- Post 66. Commander Samuel G. Jepson, John S. Beck, Geo. L. Goodale.
- Post 67. Senior Vice-Commander Ezra Stanley, R. C. Allen.
- Post 68. Commander Charles D. Stiles, C. B. Fox, L. Moulton, Jr., E. F. Snow, H. E. Greenwood, E. C. Whitney.
- Post 69. Commander Joseph A. Wetherbee, Hobert Raymond.
- Post 70. Commander Joseph Packard, C. F. Bowen.
- Post 71. Commander Wm. H. Abbott, Jeremiah J. Callannan, Peter J. Donnelly.
- Post 72. Commander George W. Pratt, Thomas Blanchard.
- Post 73. Commander Aug. H. Wright, B. S. Atwood.
- Post 74. Commander Elisha T. Harvell, William B. Seavey.
- Post 75. Commander S. L. Colley, John Best, C. B. Carlin.
- Post 76. Commander Benj. A. Hathaway, A. Oliver Brown, John Shannon.
- Post 77. Not represented.
- Post 78. Commander Wm. H. Gurney, Andrew C. Brigham, Samuel Foster, James E. Bates.
- Post 79. Commander Orsin Dalrymple, John D. Follett, George H. Kearn.
- Post 80. Senior Vice-Commander Wm. C. Penniman, F. W. Bullard, David Chase.

- POST 81. Senior Vice-Commander Charles W. Smith, B. H. Dow.
 POST 82. Commander Joseph Bartlett, Benjamin A. Phillips, John B. Graves, Jr., Jacob W. Coffin.
 POST 83. Samuel Hollis.
 POST 84. Senior Vice-Commander Charles Sanderson
 POST 85. Commander George S. Marsh, Frank P. Clark.
 POST 86. Commander William C. Pomeroy, J. B. Parsons, John Keach, H. M. Abbott.
 POST 87. Commander Henry A. Monk, William L. Gage.
 POST 88. Commander Charles A. Follett, George A. Ordway, William P. Martin.
 POST 89. Commander John Hanners, J. H. Kendall, Henry B. Wallis, Fred A. Wallis.
 POST 90. George W. Kenney, Joseph W. Haynes.
 POST 91. Seth Talbut.
 POST 92. Commander Alva J. Wilson, B. F. Sanborn.
 POST 93. Commander George R. Pierce, E. F. Gillett.
 POST 94. Commander Jonathan Linfield, Alexander R. Holmes.
 POST 95. Commander Phineas H. Nourse, George W. Gale.
 POST 96. Commander Josiah Proctor, Junior Vice-Commander Plinny Sargent.
 POST 97. Commander Albertus W. Morse, Myron P. Walker.
 POST 98. Commander Charles A. Gross, Daniel B. Lincoln.
 POST 99. Commander George W. Chandler, Peter D. Smith.
 POST 100. Commander John S. Tapley, Junior Vice-Commander John Minnehan.
 POST 101. N. E. Ladd.
 POST 102. Commander George A. Fletcher, J. Walter Bradlee.
 POST 103. Senior Vice-Commander Wm. C. Tracey, Benj. F. Tucker.
 POST 104. Commander Charles H. Wakefield, William S. Whiton.
 POST 105. Junior Vice-Commander D. C. Haviland, H. E. Taylor.
 POST 106. Commander Thomas F. Parsons, Walter G. Peckham.
 POST 107. Commander Charles Upham, J. H. Smith
 POST 108. E. P. Wildes.
 POST 109. E. Wyman Stone.
 POST 110. N. H. Tirrell, Galen Hollis.
 POST 111. Not represented
 POST 112. Commander G. A. Ayling, David Bosford
 POST 113. Commander Augustine Sanderson, Aug. N. Sampson, J. C. Cook.
 POST 114. Senior Vice-Commander Michael P. Brew, Charles O. Roberts.
 POST 115. Commander M. P. Palmer, Thomas Gilson.
 POST 116. Commander Z. Sawtelle, James Dodwell.
 POST 117. Not represented.
 POST 118. Commander Peleg Gardner, J. I. Adams.
 POST 119. Commander Charles T. West, George D. Harrington.
 POST 120. Commander Woodbridge W. Tuttle, B. F. Freeman, H. M. Potter, H. J. Davis, John Robbins.
 POST 121. Commander G. G. Bailey, Jr., W. C. Eustis, L. B. French, H. S. Bunton.
 POST 122. Commander Charles L. Tucker, Frank I. Snell.
 POST 123. Commander Samuel N. Gould, Chas. Gry.
 POST 124. Commander E. E. Edson, F. M. Kingman.
 POST 125. Commander Oliver L. Wood, William Mink, William F. Harrington, William H. Chamberlin.
 POST 126. Commander E. N. Jones, G. H. Lewis.
 POST 127. Commander Edward Pendleton.
 POST 128. Junior Vice-Commander Henry P. Boynton, Nathaniel Shatswell, William A. Stackpole.

- POST 129. Commander Lawrence Gibney, Wm. F. Byrne.
- POST 130. Commander Henry A. Walker, George R. Drake.
- POST 131. Commander Franklin M. Lamb, Henry Bisco.
- POST 132. Peleg T. Brown.
- POST 133. Commander Wm. H. Wade, Albert W. Burton.
- POST 134. Commander Benjamin Phenix.
- POST 135. Senior Vice-Commander H. M. Ross, C. J. Nourse.
- POST 136. Geo. A. Brown.
- POST 137. Not represented.
- POST 138. Commander Charles B. Sanders, Charles W. Parker.
- POST 139. Commander James F. Davlin, Charles F. King.
- POST 140. Commander W. H. Heustis, L. H. Sawin, W. E. Jaquith.
- POST 141. Commander Geo. N. Munsell, C. H. Packard.
- POST 142. Commander John W. Kirby, Geo. A. Reed.
- POST 143. Commander William E. Long, W. Y. Gross.
- POST 144. Commander Charles C. Nichols, Henry W. Weeks, J. Varaum Abbott.
- POST 145. Commander Geo. L. Jillson, E. S. Horton, M. O. Wheaton.
- POST 146. Commander George T. Fisher.
- POST 147. Commander F. W. Sloan, H. H. Goodell, B. R. Franklin.
- POST 148. E. B. Stillings
- POST 149. Commander Daniel W. Thompson, Horace S. Flagg.
- POST 150. Commander Jason Mann, E. L. Colson.
- POST 151. Not represented.
- POST 152. Commander Charles E. French, Wm. Howe Burnham.
- POST 153. Commander Levi Boswith, G. Q. A. Bryant.
- POST 154. Commander Frank C. Hill, Caleb E. Bailey.
- POST 155. Geo. E. Fuller
- POST 156. Commander Darius Hadley, R. H. Jenkins.
- POST 157. Commander Joseph C. Maddigan, Nathan W. Fisher.
- POST 158. Herbert C. Joynor.
- POST 159. Commander Flavel Shurtleff, C. H. Trask, L. H. Dutton.
- POST 160. Commander Edwin Wilber, W. H. Perkins.
- POST 161. Commander Charles H. Harding, M. T. Allen.
- POST 162. Commander Edward E. Barnard, Thomas W. Burnham.
- POST 163. Commander C. H. Fuller, D. P. Howard, E. S. Wheeler.
- POST 164. Commander Charles C. Burdett, Gordon H. Johnson.
- POST 165. Commander Benj. A. Sawyer, Lawrence Bradford.
- POST 166. Commander Clarence E. Ware, Joshua A. Loomis.
- POST 167. Ebenezer Noyes.
- POST 168. Commander Geo. W. Corey.
- POST 169. Commander Austin E. Pratt, William Taylor.
- POST 170. Commander Francis Drake, Geo. H. Chapin.
- POST 171. Not represented.
- POST 172. Not represented.
- POST 173. Commander John H. Harrison.
- POST 174. A. Smedley.
- POST 175. Commander H. M. Nash, H. S. Nourse
- POST 176. Commander Edwin D. Hutchinson, James W. Knox.
- POST 177. Commander D. M. Wilcox, J. H. Casey.
- POST 178. Not represented.
- POST 179. Pliny H. Babbitt.
- POST 180. Commander Geo. P. Howe, E. J. Bartlett.

The next business was the reports of the Department officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander John D. Billings, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER JOHN D. BILLINGS.

Comrades: One of the most dismal pictures preserved to us in the annals of this country is presented in the figure of that aged Spaniard who turned his back on the comforts of home and his native land, and wandered for months in the wilderness of the Bahamas, vainly seeking for a fountain whose waters were reputed to possess the power of imparting immortal youth to all who should drink of them. Had the war-scarred veterans of Ferdinand and Isabella been banded together in an organization like the Grand Army of the Republic, in whose ranks old Ponce de Leon might have obtained membership in that mediæval time, I am sure that he would have then attained the much coveted end, and not have finally died, as he did, a disappointed, broken-hearted old man. For however much the wrinkling cheek and silvering hair and faltering tread may seem to contradict this assertion, I appeal to you, veterans, to declare whether, way down in your heart, you do not "feel just as young as you used to be"; and I do not know of any circumstance having a stronger tendency to make you so than the recurrence of this representative gathering from our "magnificent Department," as Commander-in-Chief Kountz calls it. And to you, comrades, some of whom it was my pleasure to meet on similar occasions as early as 1869 and 1870, assembled in this, the Nineteenth Annual Encampment of the Order, in this Department, I extend my most sincere and cordial greetings.

While my membership in the Grand Army of the Republic has always been a source of great pride and delight to me, I should not be loyal to the promptings of my own heart, or especially to this sturdy and patriotic old Commonwealth, out of whose loins I sprang, did I not confess to being doubly proud and doubly delighted that my membership is cast, and, God willing, always will be, in the Department of Massachusetts.

It is the fortune of this State to have been the birthplace or the cradle of many great and fruitful ideas. But it was reserved for the soldiers of the West to evolve the scheme which has resulted in this Order, in whose magnificent and still increasing membership we rejoice today. But while such was the case, and while it is also true that Massachusetts was not in on the ground floor of its beginnings, yet from the time that she placed her name on the muster roll of Departments, from the time when she flung her colors to the breeze, which she did with a pride whose infancy was cradled in Boston and Lexington, and whose manhood inscribed its valor in telling characters on the ugly front of Rebellion, from 1861 to 1865, she has held them proudly aloft,

and bore them in the very van, year after year, while the flags of the founders were trailing in the dust, or hanging listlessly by the staff. For this and other reasons it is that, during the years which it has been my honor and privilege to be one of your representatives at headquarters, I have confidently declared, on all suitable occasions, that, as a Department of the Grand Army, Massachusetts stands without a peer.

For the information of at least half the comrades represented on this floor, a few facts of a general character in relation to the Order, more particularly in this State, may not wholly fail of appreciation, and may possibly have some slight interest to all.

It is quite generally known by comrades long in the Order that the Grand Army was founded by Dr. B. F. Stephenson, in the spring of 1866, with the doctor as Provisional Commander-in-Chief, having his headquarters at Springfield, Ill. The first National Convention was held November 20 of the same year at Indianapolis. Neither Massachusetts nor any other of the New England States seems to have been represented there, although Post 1 of New Bedford and Post 2 of Nantucket were then in existence. This Department was born at Pittsburg, Pa., where, at a Convention called in that city in 1866, as representatives of the soldiers and sailors of Massachusetts, our comrades, Devens, Banks, Cushman and Quint, were formally but quietly initiated into an Order coming from further West, at a hotel. General Devens was afterwards made Provisional Department Commander, which office he soon transferred to Comrade A. S. Cushman, our first Department Commander.

The Provisional Department of Massachusetts was organized April 24, 1867, and the permanent Department, May 7 of the same year, being the tenth organized in the order of time. Since that date her representatives have participated in all the National Encampments, and have wielded a powerful influence in giving to the Order the comparative perfection of organization which it has assumed. It was inseparable from the nature of things that she should exercise this influence: first, because she stepped at once to the head numerically, which position gave her the largest delegation in our chief council; this lead she maintained till 1879; second, because among the pioneers were men who had the best interests of the Order at heart, and who devoted themselves to strengthening it at every vulnerable point; third, because it was favored in having at headquarters two such comrades as Assistant Adjutants-General, for a series of years, whose enthusiastic zeal, systematic labor and talent for thorough organization have laid, not only this, but every other Department in the country, under enduring obligations. For I am confident that only those who have noted the character of the work done in other Departments in years gone by, or who have sought information on Grand

Army work outside of this Department, or who are conversant with the nature and extent of the inquiries receiving attention from these headquarters for more than the dozen years last past, can adequately appreciate the debt which must ever be owed to Comrades Henry B. Peirce and James F. Meech.

There is little doubt but what, within two years of her muster-in, Massachusetts took the lead in membership and in the strength and cohesiveness of her organization; for, on the thirty-first day of March, 1872, the earliest record which has been preserved to us, we reported a membership of 10,941 comrades; while Indiana, to which report assigned a membership of from twenty-five to thirty thousand in 1868, was prostrate in the dust, there to lie unresurrected till 1880; while Ohio, with its brilliant showing of more than three hundred Posts four years previously, had shrunk to a report of *nine hundred and twenty-eight comrades*; while Illinois, the birthplace of the Order, with an estimated membership of more than forty thousand in 1868, then presented the stupendously dismal front of *two hundred and thirty-eight comrades*; while even the great and populous soldier States of New York and Pennsylvania recorded only a few over *four thousand comrades each*. From this proud position, Massachusetts advanced her numbers to 11,070 in 1873, and then gradually declined in strength, though still keeping at the head of the column, till 1880, when Pennsylvania took the lead, which she still maintains. On the 31st of March, 1879, this Department reported 7,748 comrades, which is low-water mark in its membership to date. From that time forward, it and every other Department has made an annual gain.

Lest some one may think that we unduly plume ourselves on our character and standing as a Department of the Grand Army, permit me to make a few extracts from the reports of past National officers, which will enable us to "see ourselves as others see us." The report of the Adjutant-General for 1869 says:—

"The Department of Massachusetts was organized May 7, 1867. Its reports and dues have been regularly forwarded, and the same can be said of it as of the other Departments just mentioned" (viz., that it is in a thrifty condition). "It reported in December, 1868, eighty Posts, a large portion of which have been organized during the past year."

In 1870 the Adjutant-General's report mentions Massachusetts as one out of but three Departments in thirty-nine whose quarterly reports gave the exact number of comrades borne upon the rolls of their Posts. The same official's report for 1871 says:—

"The Department of Massachusetts was organized April 24, 1867. To speak of this Department is to speak of the most

efficient Department of the Order. It has never been in arrears for reports or dues, and since its organization has continued to grow and prosper, and is now the largest Department of the Order. This prosperity may properly be credited to the efforts of the Department officers. The affairs of the Department have never been neglected, and the State bids fair long to lead the several Departments of the Grand Army."

A prophecy which I have shown you was literally fulfilled. The Inspector-General of 1872 says of us:—

"This Department is beyond all doubt the most thoroughly organized and efficient Department in the Order The majority of the Posts meet weekly, and there is an excellent feeling everywhere in the State. This Department has been kept so well in hand, mainly, I think, from having an established headquarters with an able Assistant Adjutant-General, who devotes nearly all his time to the work at Department Headquarters, with the Department Commander and the other officers constantly attending to their duties and paying social and official visits to Posts."

The Inspector-General for 1873 says:—

"This Department stands at the head of our Order for thorough organization and efficiency. The judicious management of the large relief funds in the hands of most of the Posts, and the plan of disbursing these funds, are especially commended to the attention of other departments."

For 1874 we have:—

"Massachusetts still maintains her position at the head of our Grand Army in every respect."

Once more and finally, from the Inspector-General's report for 1878:—

"MASSACHUSETTS, the banner Department! Well and justly has she earned and maintained the proud distinction! Since the year 1869 Massachusetts has been an example in the works of the Order that should be emulated by every other Department."

A great calamity befell the organization when Boston's second great fire swept from existence its earlier annals, both Department and National. From these many interesting facts might have been obtained, showing its rise and growth. But there is yet a large amount of matter inferential and traditional, anterior to the destruction of the records, written in the memory of comrades early in the Order, which should be collected at once and put in permanent form, as a most important portion of the Department's archives. To this end I recommend that a committee of five be appointed by this Encampment to collate the

history of this Department up to the administration of the late Department Commander Hawes, and issue it in a single volume, as a matter of permanent record for Posts and comrades. I may add that a recommendation similar in substance was made two years ago by Past Department Commander Patch.

Comrades, called, all but unanimously, by your suffrages one year ago to take my place at the head of the column as your leader, to occupy the station so ably and honorably filled by distinguished comrades, whose lofty aims and unselfish labors have stamped upon the Order the character so impartially recorded in the extracts which I have presented you, I could not but feel weighted with the responsibility so inseparably associated with the honor imposed, for it was then devolved upon me to see that not a single stripe in our grand banner was erased or polluted, not a single star in the constellation of glory thus far illumining our pathway blotted out or obscured. While I could not promise to give to the position the time which others had devoted, I nevertheless accepted it with the determination to carry our flag still farther to the front, to raise our standard still higher than before, in the firm conviction, long entertained, that, with the brilliant page which we added to the nation's history in time of war, and the no less honorable page illustrating the victories which we have achieved in time of peace, there could be no station too high, no "niche in the halls of Time" too conspicuous to be deserved and occupied by the soldier-citizen of the Grand Army of the Republic. I could not be said to have entered the office as a novice. My four consecutive years of experience at headquarters, immediately preceding, had made me familiar with the work which would be expected of me; and while not anticipating that everything which I should do, however conscientiously, would be acceptable to all my comrades, I took up the work where my predecessor laid it down, and at the end of a busy and enjoyable year, stand before you to give a résumé of my labors, coupled with such suggestions as seem pertinent in connection therewith.

MEMBERSHIP.

I pass first to consider our standing in point of numbers. On assuming command of the Department, I knew it would be impossible, if it were desirable, for me to visit every Post, so I determined that, outside of responding to the usual routine duties—some useful, some comparatively ornamental—which Posts have come almost to demand of Department officers, I would allot a portion of time to visiting small Posts, and yet another portion to a careful survey of territory where new ventures might be profitably entered upon. This plan I have been enabled to carry out with tolerable fidelity, and, as I believe, with a reasonable degree of success to the Order. When it is remembered that

for more than half the year the mind of the average citizen (and the soldier is more than an average citizen) was thoroughly engrossed in the Presidential canvass, which was waged with an intensity of excitement said to have been without precedent in the nation's history, no marvel in the line of success was to be expected.

On the 31st of December, 1883, this Department numbered nominally 160 Posts (actually 159 Posts), having a membership of 14,277 comrades in good standing, which, with the suspended membership of 395 for the final quarter added, made the full strength of the Department 14,672 comrades.

On the 31st of December, 1884, there were 180 Posts and 16,637 members in good standing, to which add the 781 reported as suspended on the above date, and we have a gross membership of 17,418 comrades. From all which we derive the fact that there was a net gain for the year, in good standing, of 2,360 comrades, and a gross gain of 2,746 comrades and 21 Posts. The latter includes two Posts mustered in January by my predecessor. Post 55 of Taunton, having been virtually dead for about two years, was called upon to surrender its charter, leaving a net gain of 20 Posts for the year. Of the nineteen which I have chartered, nine are located on old camping ground, where, in many instances, former prejudices clung with the tenacity of our near friends, the graybacks, to an old stockade, and missionary labors in such fields have not always met with that warmth of reciprocation which the cause deserved. Although this is a somewhat larger number than usual to muster in a year, they are not the fruit of an ambition to plant shadowy Posts, for, following the plan of my predecessor, I adopted a basis of twenty-five names as desirable on an application, but insisting on at least twenty. Of the nineteen granted, fifteen have complied with the higher requirements, one application having seventy-seven names. The smallest number of names on any application was twenty-one. All of these Posts are interested and doing well, and many of them will soon take a place in the front rank of the Order.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

During the year it has been my honor to officially represent the Department on one hundred and ten different occasions, only a few of which were purely ornamental. As a portion of this work I have attended twenty-three camp-fires. I have visited officially or informally eighteen different Posts. I have attended the anniversaries of eight Posts, the dedication of six Post halls, seven regimental reunions, seven fairs, and six meetings of veterans called in the interests of new Posts. My labors have spanned the Department from Provincetown, at the limit of Cape Cod, in the east, to Williamstown in the northwest, and Sheffield

in the southwestern corner of the State. My official correspondence has aggregated about five hundred letters and one hundred postal cards.

In entering upon my official year as Commander, I resolved that, so far as I was able, fully a proportionate part of whatever influence my official garb and that of the comrades associated with me might possess should be directed to increasing our strength in that most charming portion of our State, the Connecticut Valley and beyond. In furtherance of this resolve, I have visited it seven different times, four of which were solely for recruiting purposes, spending in the aggregate eighteen days in that section. Of the seven Posts organized in those four western counties during the year, four were the direct and two the indirect fruit of these labors. I am happy to acknowledge in this connection the services of the Senior Vice-Commander of the Department, who accompanied me on several of these occasions, and has represented the Department in that section when I was unable to be present, taking at all times an active interest in the welfare of the Order in Western Massachusetts.

One of the most hopeful signs which I have witnessed in canvassing for new Posts has been the desire to have none but veterans who possessed the respect and confidence of the community take a hand in their re-establishment. I need not tell you how satisfactory such an exhibition was to me, who have made it a fundamental tenet in my Grand Army preaching to raise the standard of membership. Some of the comrades, for whom I "set down nought in malice," have thought me too strenuous on this point, because, as I believe, they do not fully understand me. I will state my position as plainly as I can briefly, in the hope that no one shall be at a loss hereafter to know where I stand, and hope to stand while I remain in the Order.

THE STANDARD OF MEMBERSHIP.

To begin, I antagonize the proposition, so frequently and emphatically announced at camp-fires, that an honorable discharge is the only requisite for admission into this organization. No one circumstance has been prolific of so much harm to the Order. It is a proposition which the comrades acquainted with me know that I have combated continually, always insisting that, while it was an essential, there should be superadded the record of an honest, manly citizenship. The absence of this record was a fundamental cause of so many Posts going to the wall a few years since, for such men can neither build up nor hold public esteem and confidence, both of which the Grand Army *must have*. Many other Posts there were which came near to Death's door, but discovered the evils which were sapping away their life in

time to apply the remedy. What is an honorable discharge? I answer, a discharge, which is, in many cases, anything but honorable. Honorable discharges are today presented to Posts for membership, and sent to Washington for pensions, not only by veterans whose names are the synonym for honorable and distinguished service, but by men who were not manful, save in sex; who were bounty-jumpers or deserters from their flag; who on unworthy pretexts sought refuge in the hospital; who shirked their duty on every possible occasion; who were "invincible in peace, and invisible in war," as the late Senator Hill once put it.

Again, many of the veterans who served the country faithfully and well for their full period of enlistment, on returning home, whether demoralized by the corrupting influences of war, or giving way to the enticements presented by too sudden a transition into the luxuries and temptations of civil life, have deported themselves in such a manner as to dishonor their record as soldiers, and to disgrace themselves as citizens. What is to be done when these men apply for membership in the Grand Army? I answer unhesitatingly, keep them resolutely out till a real reformation takes place. A record of honorable military or naval service is not enough. Under the providence of God, a man may have a black skin or a white one; he may be rich or poor, high-born or of low degree; he may be educated or illiterate; but no fiat of God, no accident of inheritance, no decree of society or of letters, interferes to prevent him being a sober, honest, respectable citizen, and so much he *must* be before I vote him into the Grand Army of the Republic. The people know nothing of what we *were*. They very naturally judge us, both as to our past and present, by what we *are*; and every instinct of true manhood should conspire, in the name of the grand cause which marshalled us, of the men who once touched elbows with us, in placing and keeping our Order where the people everywhere must look up and not down to see us. Such, in brief, is my ideal standard for our membership. Comrades may differ with me, but I hope they will understand me.

MISUSE OF THE BLACK BALL.

There is one agency for the keeping of our ranks clean and pure, to whose use I will refer in this connection. Complaints have reached me during the year that personal malice has, by means of the black ball, kept out of Posts veterans whose standing in every way entitled them to unanimous election as comrades, and whose influence would have given us added strength. Now, while I am, and always shall be, an advocate of using the black ball "faithfully and fearlessly," yet, for the man who is so mean and cowardly as to use it for personal spite, I can have no other than feelings of the most utter contempt. He disgraces the

badge of Fraternity and Charity which he wears upon his breast, and brings the Order into disrepute among its friends. He is a most ignoble disciple of our Father Abraham, who had "malice towards none, and charity for all." It is to be earnestly hoped that such instances will become most distinguished for their rarity.

FINANCES.

With our continued growth in membership there has been a corresponding increase in the unexpended balance in the hands of the Assistant Quartermaster-General. The balance reported on hand Jan. 30, 1884, was \$1,744.31. On hand Jan. 29, 1885, \$2,835.62, — a gain of \$1,091.31 for the year. The disposition of this fund is a question which should receive careful consideration by this Encampment or its deputies. One year ago the Auditing Committee of the Council of Administration "recommended to the Department that \$1,000 of the funds be invested in such manner as, in the judgment of the Council of Administration, would be for the best interests of the Department." This recommendation was referred by the Encampment to the incoming Council, who permitted the money to remain on interest at two and one half per cent, in the hands of the New England Trust Company.

As the surplus revenue of the Department is likely to increase for some years longer, unless a change is made in the policy of the Department, some judicious action should be had looking to its security and better investment. This will naturally raise the inquiry as to whether it is desirable to have a Department fund larger than will suffice to provide for ordinary contingencies. Without attempting anything in the nature of argument, I will simply throw in a few thoughts on both sides of the question, as they have occurred to me, for the consideration of the Encampment.

First. A Department fund is desirable, because, in the later days of the Order, portions of such an accumulation will be necessary to aid struggling Posts, or to keep open a headquarters till all the property has been turned in, and the affairs of the Order properly closed up.

Second. Such a fund would be a great blessing should any contagion or disaster, involving general suffering and want among comrades, take place, as has already been the case in other Departments; or,

Third. As the time is not far distant when our great and noble charity, the Soldiers' Home, may call loudly for funds, the income of such a fund might very properly be diverted to that purpose.

On the other hand, a Department fund may be regarded as undesirable,

First. Because it is mainly built up from the *per capita* tax, which is so much money taken directly from the treasury of the Posts, and indirectly from the pockets of the comrades, Better lower the tax to a point where no accumulation will ensue, and lighten, to that extent, the burdens of comrades; or,

Second. Owing to fluctuations in securities, the investment of such a fund is attended with more or less risk, as, in the nature of things, it lacks that careful supervision which attaches to personal ownership. Better not carry the risk; or,

Third. It may be possible for officers to secure an election for the manipulation of the funds for personal ends, as has been the case in individual Posts.

These are thoughts, by the way, all susceptible of elaboration. Other comrades may see other and better reasons, *pro* or *con*. I leave the matter here, in the hope that this Encampment will declare a financial policy, and direct its representatives accordingly. The excellent report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General will give you the expenses of the year in detail. There have been no unusual expenses, if I except \$25 sent to the sufferers by the Ohio floods, and \$100 contributed at the National Encampment for a comrade from Dakota who lost his leg. Contributions for this comrade's relief, varying from \$50 to \$250, were being made by the several delegations, with an enthusiasm which I never saw paralleled, when the delegation from Massachusetts, sensitive to her good name, voted the above contribution, subject to the approval of the Council of Administration. This spontaneous expression of the Fraternity and Charity of the Grand Army was taken up by the papers, and heralded from ocean to ocean, doing more for the Order, especially in the West, than the most eloquent language of our most gifted orators could have done.

By vote of the last Encampment, the actual travelling expenses of the Commander have been paid by the Department. In all cases, the entertainment has been provided by the Posts interested, and a few of them have preferred to pay all the expenses. The Encampment further voted it to be the duty of Posts to pay all the bills when the Commander attended the opening of fairs. It gives me great pleasure to state that this vote has been complied with by all Posts save one. Believing, with my predecessor, that the measure is a just and proper one, I renew the recommendation that the sum of \$300 be appropriated for the actual travelling fares of the Department Commander, or for the Department Senior or Junior Vice-Commander, when detailed to officiate in his stead, the bills subject to the approval of the Council of Administration. I would add the same proviso to the above in relation to fairs. I also renew the recommendation that the fares of the Commander and Assistant Adjutant-

General be paid to the National Encampment by the Department, for the reasons adduced one year ago. I should be glad to recommend that the fares of the entire delegation be similarly provided for, did I not fear that it would prove too radical and speedy a remedy for our surplus, especially should the Encampment meet in San Francisco next year, as now looks at least possible.

SONS OF VETERANS.

I have heard a large number of comrades, from time to time, express themselves most emphatically against this organization, on the ground of opposition to perpetuating the Grand Army. I never have had any sympathy with them, because, in the strictest sense, such a thing cannot be done. But if they mean that they are opposed to any body which, after the last Post is disbanded, shall perpetuate the *principles* for which our Order stood, then I traverse their position without hesitation, for it is inconsistent with our daily preaching and teaching. The annual recurrence of Memorial Day gives repeated occasion to our orators to set forth the inestimable value of our commemorative exercises as an education to the young; inspiring them with patriotism, with a higher appreciation of the services rendered by the men who now, with the gentleness and tenderness of woman, perform the sadly sweet ceremonies of decoration, and firing them, should need arise, to emulate the valorous impulses of their fathers. But if this education is of value today, will its need have passed away when we are off the stage? Rather will not our very absence emphasize the need of a body to do just such work? But I will not pause for argument. This fact must, however, be admitted, will we, nill we, whether they have come early or late, like General Stone's brigade at Gettysburg, they "have come to stay," and the Grand Army, in self-defense, must guide them. They want the indorsement of the "old man," recognizing their comparative instability in the community without it. Realizing the situation, and feeling that Farce had held the stage too long, and that Tragedy should have it long enough to clear away the present double-headed nuisance, it was my privilege to offer the following preamble and resolution at the last National Encampment: —

WHEREAS, There now exist among us two organizations, known as Sons of Veterans, who have, from time to time, sought the indorsement of this Order; and,

WHEREAS, These organizations have substantially the same end in view, and should be united, whether in emphasizing the principles of the Grand Army, or as auxiliary to the same in any other manner; and,

WHEREAS, They have not only failed to unite, but are detrimental to our Order, by trading on its capital, through their appeal to the public for funds, all of which are devoted to their own purposes; therefore,

Resolved, That the Grand Army should take no further steps to harmonize the two bodies, and that the incoming Council of Administra-

tion be requested to report to the next Annual Encampment a draft of organization for an Order of Sons of Veterans, which shall be judiciously subordinated to this Order, and under which, camp or other designated formations may take place.

On motion, the whole matter in relation to Sons of Veterans was referred to a committee, to report at the next National Encampment. This resolution, I am informed, has already borne fruit in the practical union of the two chief bodies.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

I heartily indorse the work of this organization. I never shared the solicitude of those comrades who feared that it would usurp the name, the badge, the work and glory of the Grand Army, or even that it would "*bury*" us all before we needed it. While I have not been an enthusiast in its behalf in former years, I have not been an opponent, and my only question has been as to the need of a State or National organization, inasmuch as loyal women have always been ready to second us. But I am now satisfied on that point. My mother and sisters were as good soldiers, in their sphere, as I was in mine; and I must be a man much lower than the angels if I attempt to restrict them in times of peace on a simple question of methods. Several Posts have expressed great dependence on their auxiliary Corps. In one case only, a lack of harmony has been reported, and in this the estimable Department President, who has shown a constant zeal to have the most harmonious relations on the part of her Corps, immediately resorted to measures to secure the desired end. I confidently predict the time as not far distant when they will be the right arm of our support in the community, and I give them Godspeed.

THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The session of this body at Minneapolis, last July, was a most memorable one, calling together a very large assemblage of veterans from all parts of the country. This Department was represented by its full delegation. The matter of changes in the Ritual, referred to the delegation, was duly presented and referred to a committee on Ritual, which reports at the next National Encampment. The changes in Rules and Regulations asked for by this Department in relation to incorporating the price of the badge in the muster fee, and permitting public installations, were adopted, as was also the substance of its amendment in relation to trustees, which was embodied in amendments on this head, offered by the Department of Connecticut.

There is one other amendment to the Regulations which I should like to see adopted now that installation services may be public, and that is one granting authority to install at a special

meeting. Many inquiries and requests to that end have reached headquarters the past few weeks. The Rules, as they now stand, are inconsistent on this point, and should be changed; and the change proposed would, I believe, be satisfactory to a large number of Posts.

UNIFORMS.

I take great pride in referring to the improvement which has been going on in this Department in the appearance of Posts on parade, so many of which now turn out with full uniform on Memorial Day and other occasions. Perhaps the Order has moved more slowly in this respect than in many others. So repugnant had a uniform become to many veterans while in service that they have steadily opposed wearing one until these later days, when time has wrought its softening influence upon them.

The first attempt at uniforming the Order originated, so far as I can learn, with Past Department Commander A. S. Cushman, who in the National Convention held at Philadelphia, Jan. 15, 16, 17, 1868, "moved that a committee of one from each Department be appointed to adopt a regalia," which motion was laid on the table; but I cannot find record of any definite action ever having been taken, although propositions to that end have been offered many times. Like Topsy, the one now generally worn "had no farder nor mudder, nor nebber had." And as Topsy, when further interrogated as to where she did come from, replied, "Dunno, specs I grow'd," so likewise has our once non-descript uniform come to assume something that will bear definition.

One of the earliest anonymous requirements was that of wearing dark clothes, which practically resulted in wearing anything from black through the shades to white duck; in other words, to wearing whatever the comrade was possessed of. Then came the white belt and McClellan cap, with wreath, letters and number, to be immediately followed in some Posts by the adoption of the slouched hat, — one of the greatest mistakes in the direction of uniformity that has been attempted. You will recall those lines of Robert Browning from the "Pied Piper of Hamelin," where he describes the Piper as followed by

"Black rats, white rats, brown rats, brawny rats,
Old rats, young rats, gray rats, tawny rats, etc."

Now substitute the word *hats* for *rats*, and the description is perfection, for the appearance of the average Post dressed in the slouch hat, properly so called. With the possible exception of the latest fashion, I can truthfully say that I have seen the cord and wreath on every kind of hat familiar to this age, from the high-crowned slouch to the low; through all shades of color from

black to the lightest; from the one-storied Derby up through the whole catalogue of stiff hats, not even omitting the classic beaver; and even straw hats often fall victims to these typical decorations. All of which, it may be said, indicates, in large measure, the democratic character of our grand institution, and the large liberty tolerated in what many still regard as a non-essential. But the exercise of this liberty has been so shocking to comrades of natural military instincts that they could well be pardoned if they exclaimed with Madame Roland, "O liberty, liberty! how many crimes are committed in thy name!"

Still we are making rapid strides forward in this respect. Several Posts have uniformed during the year, and some of those appearing best on parade, once having adopted a cap, have adhered to it continuously, and are never seen with a go-as-you-please annex of comrades bringing up in the rear. I am a steadfast believer in standing by the old traditions, in being the Boys in *Blue* that we were twenty years ago; and while I recognize and appreciate all that individual Posts are doing to make a creditable appearance on parade, I am sure that they would mean more to the people of today and of twenty years hence if clad in the uniform they wore in Rebellion days, than in the gaudiest trappings of possible manufacture. Nay, they would mean more to themselves. In harmony with this idea, I would recommend that the sash worn in the service be added to the uniform adopted by the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, and that so much of the requirements as necessitates the light blue welt in the pantaloons be rescinded. There has only a portion of one Post complied with this requirement, so that it would work no great hardship to make the change, and in the respect of both taste and simplicity would be an improvement. It is gratifying to note that some of the newest Posts are the most interested to put themselves on a respectable basis in this respect.

In this connection I desire to express my hearty approval of the plan adopted by a few of our Posts of having the comrades attend Post meetings in uniform. I should like to see it universally adopted, for I believe its effect on the organization and on the community is salutary. The effect in Post meetings is very satisfactory. Even the Grand Army badge is almost an unknown quantity in many Post rooms. This ought not to be. The badge of the comrade should be worn on every Grand Army occasion, whether private or public.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

I shall take little of your time in referring to this monument to our Fraternity, in which we take such laudable pride. The report of the Trustees, which you have already received, embodies all needed information in relation to it. I may say in brief, that,

on the testimony of those who know, it has no equal in the land, and will further add that Posts in this vicinity, as well as some more remote, who once questioned the expediency of founding such an institution, are now ranked among its warmest supporters. I desire once more to call the attention of Posts through this representative gathering to the grand carnival in preparation to raise an endowment fund of \$100,000 for the Home. Let nothing be left undone in the power of comrades to do to make this the most marvellous success in the history of such enterprises. "A long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull all together," and the desired result is accomplished. I believe that the people have only to fully understand the work which the Grand Army is doing to respond most liberally to the call which we shall make upon them.

GOOD OF THE ORDER.

There are a few thoughts which I desire to present that may fairly be included under the above caption. They are related more or less intimately to the successful working of Posts generally. First in importance among these I rate the selection of Post officers. It is not enough to select a "good fellow" for Commander. He ought to be a man who has influence in the community, and commands the respect of it. Popularity with the boys is excellent when other needed qualities are added, but may, in some respects, be undesirable in a Post which needs toning up, inside and out.

Again, there is a deeply rooted theory in many Posts that if a comrade is good enough for a Junior Vice-Commander, he cannot be such a wretched failure as a Senior Vice-Commander, and is, by courtesy at least, entitled to promotion. And if a Senior Vice-Commander has done his duty faithfully and well, with other things equal, he should be the preferred candidate for Post Commander. I am in full accord with this theory. I am aware that a few Posts take delight in being exceptors to it, but I make no quarrel with them if the interests of their ranks are best served in that way. The rule is, however, that comrades, looking back to active service, remember that promotion came for duty faithfully performed; and when somebody is jumped over them in the Post offices, they are only human if they feel hurt, and with their immediate friends become sulkers in their tents, and in various ways show themselves affronted. I am not now defending them, I am stating the facts, and can name several instances from the recent election as evidence. I am a thorough believer in promotion in Posts, contending that comrades should be selected for the three highest offices with special reference to their fitness to fill either place acceptably. If they prove their unfitness on trial, or do not care for advancement, then drop them. I am confident that

this plan, faithfully carried out, in four out of five Posts would add to their efficiency.

Then we have some Post Commanders who seem to hold office by free grace rather than by election. They discuss all the questions, make themselves essential to the very existence of the Post, riding it like a veritable Old Man of the Sea. They are not wholly to blame, as the office is often forced upon the man; but they should not be too passive. Every comrade should stand ready to take any position, with its honors or its burdens, which he is qualified to fill, if his comrades impose it. I recognize the fact that many small Posts have one member of influence in the community who can really do more for the Post as its Commander than any one else. Still, I am clearly of the opinion that in Posts having more than thirty members, no comrade should be at the head more than two consecutive years.

Another evil which many Posts are afflicted with, and which should be abated in the interests of the Order, is the bores who kill off Posts by long speeches made up of repetitions, or by ridiculous parliamentary discussions. The question so long debated by the Idealists as to the number of angels that could dance on the point of a cambric needle, is of infinite importance when compared with those which these bores drone over night after night. Any Post thus afflicted should adopt a by-law with which to *down* such offenders soon "after sight," for I know of nothing that more surely or speedily depletes the attendance and interest in the Post room.

Smoking in the Post room during its session seems to me an evil, which, so far as I can learn, is allowed by but very few Posts in this Department. No other Order tolerates it, I am told. But aside from this argument by comparison, there seems to me good reason for its inhibition on other grounds. It is a fact that comrades, both non-smokers and smokers, who do not like to go home having their clothing saturated with the fumes of tobacco, absent themselves from meetings where the social pipe holds sway, at which they would otherwise be constant attendants. The Post room should be *neutral territory*, and I respectfully submit to the most devoted admirer of the weed, the query as to whether he cannot forego indulgence in his favorite pastime for a single two hours in a week or two weeks for the "good of the Order." If he cannot, then let him withdraw to the ante-room, but let no man be excluded from the meeting on account of the selfishness of any comrade.

I believe it not for the good of the Order that any Post should hold its regular meetings on the Sabbath. In my judgment, it is neither *necessary* nor *legal*. It matters not what views you or I may entertain as to the proper observance of that day, the people of Massachusetts believe in the Sabbath. But the people of

Massachusetts also believe in the Grand Army, and I submit that we cannot afford to needlessly affront the moral sense of the community which so loyally sustains us in our relief work. The only Post in this Department, or any, so far as I know, which held its regular meetings on the Sabbath, gave them up early in the year. But I now learn, on credible authority, that they are about to be resumed at the same time, and, worse still, at the same place, with its undesirable annex. I trust that this Encampment will acquaint itself with the facts, and take such action as seems proper to protect the Department from the continuance of what seems to me an outrage on public sentiment.

Another source of detriment to the Order I believe to be the closing of Post rooms during warm weather; a practice which has, I think, been too generally adopted throughout this Department. The inevitable tendency is for comrades to lose interest and forget for two months that there is such an institution as the Grand Army. I can see no good reason for such a practice. Systematic relief work is as needful then as at any time. The halls should at least be open where the comrades can assemble for social and fraternal enjoyment, if not for Post work; but I am an earnest believer in the setting aside of one evening in a week, or at least two in a month, *twelve months in the year*, for regular Post meetings.

I further believe that the good of the Order requires representation in this Encampment from every Post in the Department, and, to assure it, Posts should pay their delegates' expenses.

Another topic falling under this head seems to me important enough to call for some action on the part of this Encampment. It is coming to be a frequent occurrence for some Post to evolve a scheme which, if fully carried out, it no doubt honestly believes is for the good of the Order, and at once blank petitions are prepared and sent to other Posts in the Department, requesting signatures; the petitions, when signed, to be forwarded to a central committee or to the State or National Legislature. Now, if there is one Post in this Department which is, par excellence, *the brainy Post*, the source of every new and brilliant idea, I have no criticism to offer on that body of comrades, if it is capable of taking this entire Department dangling along as a tail to its kite. If it is a fact that all of the wise and prudent generalship in the Order is resident in one comrade, in one, two, or a dozen Posts, it would seem desirable that a headquarters be opened at once for those indispensable articles in the aforesaid Post or Posts, and the Order directed in all respects from those headquarters. But I respectfully submit to the delegates of this Encampment the question whether it is for the best interests of the Order for any Post to take the initiative in any legislative measure involving the approval or dissent of every Post in the Department, without

having it first considered after the usual custom by this assemblage. Any proposition that will not bear the light and scrutiny which your deliberations concentrate upon it should be stifled at its birth; but if, on the other hand, it will stand the test, then we can move as a Department, in solid column, and not as a thin skirmish line in its support. No exigency is likely to arise calling upon the Order for action which cannot wait for your official sanction. The "sacred right of petition," so called, would not be invaded by your restrictive action, for any comrade who dislikes the government of this Order can set his own time for leaving it. You determine the conditions of his entrance and his stay, and you enact such legislation as will preserve your integrity, in which he has a voice, and to which he must be obedient if he remains. I therefore submit that any questions which divide the opinions of the Grand Army should first have their standing adjudicated at this tribunal. There is a tradition extant that the consideration of such matters once constituted an important part of your deliberations, and so far as I now recall, the integrity of your action on propositions originating with Posts has never been impeached. I have yet to learn of the first good reason why you should relinquish this vital prerogative, and sincerely trust that such a reason may never appear.

Another change, which I believe would result in good to the Order, would be brought about by Posts confining their canvass for the sale of fair tickets to their own territory, and not trespassing on that of their neighbors. Tickets are mailed to the various Posts in this Department, and have even been received from beyond the Mississippi in dozens, accompanied by the modest request that they be disposed of and the proceeds remitted to the sender. One of the most vital objections to this practice is presented in the fact that so large a share of this money comes from the comrades themselves. It is true they will spend their money where and for what they please, as is their right; but I would respectfully submit to a comrade about to invest, the query whether his own Post does not need the money more, or if he engages to sell such tickets outside the Post, whether his community ought to be called upon to support other Posts than his own. This latter query has, of course, less force made of comrades having membership in city Posts.

And this question of fairs brings me to a consideration of the lottery phase, whose discussion is thrust upon me at this time by current events. I will preface what I have to offer by saying that it has always been a source of regret to me that the men who were the stern *enforcers* of law, even to the use of "the last argument of kings," should in any wise appear to the people as law *breakers*. It has been said that exceptions should be made in favor of the Grand Army on account of the object it has in view.

I believe I shall accurately represent the average sentiment of the Order, when I declare that the Grand Army spurns with disdain the offer to make it an exception in the enforcement of *any* law. But what it does ask is, that if there be any statute violated by any Grand Army Post, any Lodge of Odd Fellows, or any religious society, in this Commonwealth, that statute shall be *impartially* enforced. While members of the Order are divided on the question of expediency in this matter, they very properly object to being made the scapegoats, and only ask that treatment which is accorded to other bodies whose aims are often far more selfish. While I sincerely believe that the letter and not the intent of the law is violated by this method of raising money, I shall yet hail with delight any scheme which will accomplish the same object with a reasonable amount of effort, and at the same time secure the cordial co-operation of every member of the community, so many of whom now conscientiously withhold it.

MASSACHUSETTS VETERANS' REUNION.

I wish to give my cordial indorsement to the contemplated reunion of the Massachusetts veterans, and bespeak for it, from the comrades of this Encampment, their warmest co-operation. I have been an advocate of such a gathering since the earliest attempt to hold one, and believe that whatever objections may present themselves in its tentative stage will soon disappear, and the annual recurrence of this occasion be one of much pride and enjoyment to every old soldier.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

You will shortly have put into your hands the various reports of the Department officers, to each and all of which I invite your careful attention. This year we have accomplished for the first time the plan of submitting these reports in print. It is done without additional expense, results in some saving of time, and is a convenience which I am sure you will fully appreciate.

The excellent and comprehensive report of the Assistant Adjutant-General is a work not a tithe of whose labor appears to the casual observer, but very valuable to comrades for reference. The work of this officer has materially increased with the growth of the Department, and I cheerfully recommend the usual appropriation of \$200 for clerk hire. It is to be remembered that our membership has increased more than one-half during the past three years, while the appropriations for the Assistant Adjutant-General's office have remained essentially the same. For the comrade who has filled this important office during the past year, turning day into night again and again in the prosecution of his labors, "o'er books consuming the midnight oil," — but *Depart-*

ment books, — I can only wish that his future may be as prosperous as his past has been honorable and glorious.

The report of the Department Inspector contains much valuable information. Two thorough inspections have been had during the year, — one in the spring by order of the Commander-in-Chief, and the usual fall inspection. In each case every Post was inspected. It gives me the utmost pleasure to bear testimony to the conscientious service of this Staff officer, manifested in no way more conspicuously than in the fact that of the nineteen new Posts chartered, just nineteen of them have been mustered by the Department Inspector in person. This record of service, I believe, is without parallel in the history of the office in this Department. Arrangements were perfected in nearly every case whereby, at the adjourned meeting, the work of muster-in has been exemplified by a neighboring Post.

The salient points of his report will readily appear to you. One which well illustrates the unselfishness of our relief appears in the fact that aid was not only given to 1,234 comrades, but to 327 who were *not* comrades of the Order. It further shows \$36,845.13 in Post funds, \$120,569.43 in relief funds, and a new item, not hitherto reported, of \$90,009.94 of other property held by Posts. There is an increase in the amount of money in relief funds of nearly \$15,000 over a year ago. These figures, certainly, show a financial condition on which the Order is to be congratulated. The report also shows the sum of \$35,793.51 expended in relief, an increase over last year of about \$1,600; \$37,527.42 was the sum expended in relief for the calendar year.

I am of the opinion that if a thorough spring inspection is to be annually required by the Commander-in-Chief, only a portion of the Department need be inspected in the fall, which would save some expense, and yet result, I believe, in no detriment to the Order. The excellent character and standing of many Posts is a sufficient warranty for this latter opinion.

I have already referred to the report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General. While the routine work of this office is necessarily performed by the Assistant Adjutant-General, it has been under the supervision of the former officer. His important and carefully prepared report will receive your discriminating attention.

The position of Chief Mustering Officer has not been a sinecure on my Staff, and the incumbent of that office, although living on one edge of the Department, has earned his honors by mustering the officers of eight of the new Posts, as well as by attending the various meetings of the Council.

The legal department has not been overworked, owing in large measure to a better understanding of Rules and Regulations, and to the assistance rendered Post Commanders by the volume

of Decisions and Opinions with which each is supplied. Justice to the Judge Advocate requires the statement that continued illness in his family has prevented his meeting the comrades of the Department as often as he would otherwise have done.

The reports of the Council of Administration, the Medical Director and the Department Chaplain will also merit your careful consideration. The suggestions of the Council respecting the finances will give additional weight to what I have already offered on this head, and will, I trust, lead to such initial action as seems most desirable in connection with the subject considered.

LOYALTY TO THE ORDER.

The year just passed has witnessed, perhaps, the most exciting political contest of the nineteenth century. Members of the Order were found in all the political parties. Party spirit, I believe, never ran higher, and in my judgment there has never been a year when, if any Post or number of Posts had lost their heads and gone over bodily into politics, their bitterest foe could have done other than condone their breach of allegiance. But it gives me the utmost satisfaction to report that whatever may have been the *appearance* in any individual case (and I have been told again and again that the Grand Army was in politics), no Post of this Department has violated Rules and Regulations in this respect.

For the restraint which comrades displayed during the campaign, they have my sincere thanks. Fully informed in relation to past experiences, and gathering from the situation after the nominations were made enough to give me some concern as to the outcome of the canvass in its effect upon the Order, it can readily be imagined that I saw the dawn of November 5 with no great regret. One incident of the campaign touched me very deeply, and illustrates that loyalty which cements us so strongly together. The incident was this: One of our large Posts, on learning that a prominent soldier nominee was intending to visit the city of its habitation, voted to give him a reception. On learning of this through the public prints, I wrote the Commander a letter of inquiry and questioned the wisdom of the movement, suggesting that while it was, no doubt, innocently intended, the public would not divorce the soldier comrade from the soldier candidate; that their position would be at least an equivocal one, etc. I commend an extract from the reply of the Commander to your consideration. Here it is:—

“Your kind letter of the 26th at hand on time; but it was such a setback to me that it has taken me all this time to get over it; but your reasoning is sound. . . . We believe it our first duty to uphold Rules and Regulations and abide by them. Our next duty is to obey those in command, and I think I can

safely say that Post—— prides herself on her loyalty to Rules and Regulations and the Department Commander of Massachusetts. If we have made a mistake in our zeal to do honor to one of the old Union generals, we are not so headstrong but what we can see it, and do all in our power to do what our Department Commander believes best for the Order. . . . Hoping that you will not blacklist us until you hear from me again, I remain,

Yours, etc."

One of the unpleasantest exhibitions of the year has been that of our Order divided on the question of proper pension legislation. There are yet comrades among us who believe that the Grand Army was not organized to engineer pension legislation; that for many years it found its legitimate sphere of action outside of this question; but as this class is now in a hopeless minority, and as the Grand Army has appropriated to itself the direction of legislation for the veterans on the floor of Congress, so far as it can legitimately do so, the only question to consider is, that of the proper means to be used by the Order to secure this end. Unquestionably, our influence must be directed by *representative* action. Now such representatives are to be found in our present pension committee of the National Encampment, about whose fitness for the position, the manner of whose selection, or in regard to whose motives I have yet to hear the first whisper of a suspicion. Mark you, I do not set up as an encyclopædia of information as to just what is most desirable in the line of pension legislation. I have my own opinion with regard to certain propositions on this head, and will further promise not to refuse a dollar which the government will give me under any scheme likely to receive enactment. But the point I am in duty bound to press upon your earnest consideration is that when a Post, a Department, or National Encampment appoints a committee in good faith, and with full power to do a certain work for that Post or that Encampment, every inspiration of fraternity, if fraternity is worth anything, every impulse of loyalty, if loyalty means anything, *demand*s that the organization which puts them forward as its mouthpiece shall stand steadfastly at their backs, and not basely desert them nor heap gratuitous insults upon them while they are doing its behests.

Now all committees are human and may err. But no committee holds a life-tenure of its office, and when it fails to do the work for which it was constituted, discharge it on the first opportunity or instruct it as circumstances seem to warrant. But may we never again so stultify ourselves in the eyes of the people as we have during the past year, by having our duly authorized representatives appearing before members of Congress recommending certain pension legislation, and antagonized by other comrades favoring a different scheme. We cannot afford it.

"In union there is strength." When our organization shall reach that stage where any Post as such feels at liberty to petition Congress in the interest of any measure dear to its membership, irrespective or in spite of the wishes or petitions of other Posts, that moment dates the beginning of our downfall. Concurrent action in Posts and Departments, finding further consideration and final enactment from the deliberations of the National Encampment, I honestly believe and unhesitatingly declare the only safe course for us to pursue in this day of our great and still growing strength, else we unwittingly reproduce certain phases of our army life where commands pulled apart through jealousy, and inevitable shame and disaster followed. Let us magnify our points of agreement, minimize our points of difference, and move in solid and unwavering columns to secure legislation which common consent declares must be delayed no longer. But whatever ends we aim to accomplish in this direction, let us take particular care that they be not secured by any complications of statutory provision which shall include the putting on the pension roll, on an equal footing with our Union comrades, of the veterans of the Rebel army; not yet.

Comrades, I must not close this address without expressing to you my most sincere gratitude for the triple honors which you have successively conferred upon me. The unanimity with which you elevated me to the honorable position which I am soon to vacate will remain a green and cherished spot in my memory while life continues, attended as it will be by the consciousness that, while I fell far short of my own ideal, and perhaps, of your expectations, in my own way I have endeavored to deserve the honors your confidence imposed. For whatever results have been achieved during the past year, a large share of credit must be given to those whom your suffrages associated with me, and I here thank them publicly for all they have done in behalf of our grand Order. To the members of my official Staff, whose duty has been so faithfully performed, my thanks and yours are especially due. Our relations have been of the pleasantest character, and my valedictory is made the harder to utter by carrying with it, as it does, the severance of our official relations. The same is true, in a large measure, of my personal Staff, to whom I am especially indebted for their labors under the direction of the Inspector. To many Post Commanders and comrades, I am under obligations for favors and courtesies, both personal and in the interests of the Department. To each and all, official and private, I tender the thanks of my truly grateful heart, and my most cordial good wishes for the future. It has been one of the proud distinctions of my life to have been your leader for a year, but I am prouder still of those relations that I sustained to this glorious country and my dear native State which entitle me to a place in the ranks of this truly *Grand Army* of the Republic.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

JOHN D. BILLINGS, *Department Commander.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report of the business transacted in this office the past year.

| | |
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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1883 | 160 |
| “ comrades same date | 14,277 |
| “ Posts, Dec. 31, 1884 | 180 |
| “ comrades reported same date | 16,637 |
| Net gain during the year | 2,360 |

The net gain by quarters is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz.:—

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| First quarter, ending March 31 | 356 |
| Second quarter, ending June 30 | 1,037 |
| Third quarter, ending Sept. 30 | 560 |
| Fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31 | 407 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 2,360 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Number of comrades in good standing, Dec. 31, 1883 . | 14,277 |
| “ “ gained by muster | 2,794 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 279 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement | 1,921 |
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| Total number gained | 4,994 |
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| Aggregate | 19,271 |

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| Number of comrades lost by death | 195 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 59 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 353 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 2,024 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge, | 3 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total loss | 2,634 |

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| Excess of gains over losses | 2,360 |
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I herewith present a detailed report of the changes that have taken place in each Post the past year.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1884.

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate. | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|------------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Wm. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 178 | 39 | 3 | 13 | 55 | 233 | 2 | ... | 1 | 8 | ... | 11 | 222 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 166 | 24 | 14 | ... | 38 | 204 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 202 |
| William H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 161 | 9 | ... | 13 | 22 | 183 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 11 | ... | 22 | 161 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 51 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 62 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | 58 |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 835 | 64 | 10 | 136 | 210 | 1045 | 13 | ... | 3 | 174 | ... | 190 | 855 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 44 | 3 | ... | 4 | 7 | 51 | ... | ... | 3 | 7 | ... | 10 | 41 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 218 | 89 | 4 | 28 | 121 | 339 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 18 | 1 | 32 | 307 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 64 | 9 | ... | 1 | 10 | 74 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 70 |
| Reno..... | 9 | 74 | 18 | 3 | 16 | 37 | 111 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 15 | ... | 20 | 91 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 518 | 41 | 15 | 84 | 140 | 658 | 1 | ... | 9 | 74 | ... | 84 | 574 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 117 | 28 | 4 | 20 | 52 | 169 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 165 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 187 | 14 | 3 | 13 | 30 | 217 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 19 | ... | 27 | 190 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 113 | 38 | 3 | 10 | 51 | 164 | 1 | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 8 | 156 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 30 | 6 | ... | 13 | 19 | 49 | ... | ... | ... | 12 | ... | 12 | 37 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 284 | 80 | 11 | 61 | 152 | 456 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 98 | ... | 113 | 323 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 408 | 83 | 6 | 4 | 93 | 501 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 26 | ... | 37 | 464 |
| Gen. Sedgwick..... | 17 | 58 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 16 | 74 | 1 | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 7 | 67 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 34 | 4 | ... | 17 | 21 | 55 | ... | ... | 1 | 17 | ... | 18 | 37 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 215 | 16 | 1 | 7 | 24 | 239 | 2 | ... | 8 | 11 | ... | 21 | 218 |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 24 | 24 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 64 | 4 | ... | 1 | 5 | 69 | 1 | ... | 2 | 7 | ... | 10 | 59 |
| Major E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 98 | 14 | 1 | 14 | 29 | 127 | 1 | ... | 4 | 8 | ... | 13 | 114 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 105 | 11 | 1 | 6 | 18 | 123 | 1 | ... | 1 | 12 | ... | 14 | 109 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 53 | 14 | ... | 1 | 15 | 68 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 67 |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 30 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 38 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 35 |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 118 | 20 | 4 | 8 | 32 | 150 | 1 | ... | 3 | 7 | ... | 11 | 139 |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | 47 | 3 | ... | 1 | 4 | 51 | 2 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | 10 | 41 |
| George D. Wells..... | 28 | 38 | 4 | ... | 2 | 6 | 44 | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 8 | 36 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 88 | 18 | ... | 2 | 20 | 108 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | 6 | 102 |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | 173 | 45 | 7 | 37 | 89 | 262 | 1 | ... | 5 | 31 | ... | 37 | 225 |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | 59 | 7 | ... | 1 | 8 | 67 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 63 |
| Washington..... | 32 | 71 | 15 | 1 | 13 | 29 | 100 | 2 | ... | 11 | 18 | ... | 31 | 69 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 61 | 11 | 2 | 27 | 40 | 101 | 2 | 1 | 16 | ... | ... | 19 | 82 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 200 | 13 | ... | 151 | 164 | 364 | 7 | ... | 8 | 127 | ... | 142 | 222 |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 409 | 36 | 6 | 75 | 117 | 526 | 9 | 1 | 10 | 105 | 1 | 126 | 400 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 47 | 5 | ... | 2 | 7 | 54 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 51 |
| Frazer A. Stearns..... | 37 | 108 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 111 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | ... | 8 | 103 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 39 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 52 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 49 |
| Needham..... | 39 | 321 | 35 | 1 | 2 | 38 | 359 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 14 | ... | 28 | 331 |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 100 | 17 | 3 | ... | 20 | 120 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 2 | ... | 11 | 109 |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 144 | 16 | ... | 1 | 17 | 161 | 2 | 2 | ... | 26 | ... | 30 | 131 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 297 | 42 | 2 | 19 | 63 | 360 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 18 | ... | 28 | 332 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 128 | 10 | ... | 3 | 13 | 141 | 1 | ... | 2 | 9 | ... | 12 | 129 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 33 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 37 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 5 | 37 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 130 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 27 | 157 | 1 | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 8 | 149 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 203 | 21 | 2 | 6 | 29 | 232 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 232 |
| Major How..... | 47 | 213 | 23 | 8 | 115 | 146 | 359 | 5 | ... | 3 | 111 | ... | 119 | 240 |
| George S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 31 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 45 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 43 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 243 | 12 | 5 | 8 | 25 | 268 | 3 | ... | 3 | 11 | ... | 17 | 251 |
| Union..... | 50 | 135 | 7 | 1 | 38 | 46 | 181 | 4 | ... | 2 | 59 | ... | 65 | 116 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 63 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 65 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 64 |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 55 | 11 | 3 | 7 | 21 | 76 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 75 |
| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | 104 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 105 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 103 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 22 | 3 | ... | 1 | 4 | 26 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 23 |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | ... | 28 | ... | ... | 28 | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28 |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 91 | 16 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 114 | 1 | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 107 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 131 | 19 | ... | 8 | 27 | 158 | 3 | ... | 2 | 9 | ... | 14 | 144 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 269 | ... | ... | 332 | 332 | 601 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 401 | ... | 411 | 190 |
| Major J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 24 | 3 | ... | 1 | 4 | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 28 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post No. in good standing, last report | | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|----------------------------|---|-----|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | Aggregate | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Dis- charged | Total Loss | |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 55 | 10 | 1 | 8 | 19 | 74 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 73 |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 90 | 13 | ... | 5 | 18 | 108 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 104 |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | 86 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 18 | 104 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 102 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 107 | 27 | 1 | 7 | 35 | 142 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 139 |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 86 | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 90 | 2 | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 8 | 82 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 47 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 48 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 43 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 87 | 14 | 2 | 3 | 19 | 106 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 101 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 40 | 2 | ... | 4 | 6 | 46 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 43 |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 229 | 18 | 8 | 9 | 35 | 264 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 21 | ... | 32 | 232 |
| Joseph P. Rice..... | 69 | 29 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 30 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 28 |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | 56 | ... | 3 | 18 | 21 | 77 | ... | ... | 2 | 23 | ... | 25 | 52 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 96 | 26 | 2 | 4 | 32 | 128 | ... | 2 | 2 | 12 | ... | 16 | 112 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 51 | 3 | ... | 23 | 26 | 77 | 1 | 1 | ... | 10 | ... | 12 | 65 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 100 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 6 | 94 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 101 | 7 | ... | 6 | 13 | 114 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 6 | 108 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 91 | 6 | 4 | ... | 10 | 101 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 98 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 110 | 12 | ... | 23 | 35 | 145 | 2 | ... | 7 | 18 | ... | 27 | 118 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 23 |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 113 | 6 | 3 | 16 | 25 | 138 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 135 |
| Charles D. Sanford..... | 79 | 72 | 14 | 2 | 11 | 27 | 99 | ... | 1 | 4 | 5 | ... | 10 | 89 |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 87 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 97 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 95 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 38 | 12 | ... | 17 | 29 | 67 | ... | ... | 1 | 17 | ... | 18 | 49 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 167 | 6 | ... | 4 | 10 | 177 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 171 |
| Joseph E. Wilder..... | 83 | 31 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 32 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 30 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 29 | 4 | ... | 7 | 11 | 40 | ... | ... | 1 | 8 | ... | 9 | 31 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 32 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 12 | 44 | ... | 2 | 1 | 5 | ... | 8 | 36 |
| William L. Baker..... | 86 | 114 | 32 | 3 | ... | 35 | 149 | 3 | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 7 | 142 |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | 59 | 13 | ... | 3 | 16 | 75 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 71 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 85 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 95 | ... | ... | 3 | 8 | ... | 11 | 84 |
| John H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 173 | 11 | 3 | 34 | 48 | 221 | 2 | ... | ... | 36 | ... | 38 | 183 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 131 | 15 | ... | 5 | 20 | 151 | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 5 | 146 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 29 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 37 | ... | 6 | 3 | 1 | ... | 10 | 27 |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 51 | 8 | ... | ... | 8 | 59 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 57 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 56 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 69 | 4 | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | 14 | 55 |
| Revere..... | 94 | 66 | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 72 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 70 |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | 43 | 4 | ... | 5 | 9 | 52 | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 7 | 45 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 27 | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 30 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 28 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 51 | 4 | ... | 1 | 5 | 56 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | 12 | 44 |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | 28 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 27 |
| Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 54 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 57 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | 7 | 50 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 69 | 3 | ... | 4 | 7 | 76 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 6 | 70 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 40 | ... | ... | 15 | 15 | 55 | 1 | ... | 1 | 25 | ... | 27 | 28 |
| Huntington F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 51 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 58 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 56 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 60 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 77 | 3 | ... | 3 | 7 | ... | 13 | 64 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 64 | 5 | ... | 1 | 6 | 70 | ... | 1 | 2 | 2 | ... | 5 | 65 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 37 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 42 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 39 |
| Otis W. Wallace..... | 106 | 50 | 13 | ... | 2 | 15 | 65 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 7 | 58 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 46 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 48 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 47 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 43 | 21 | ... | 22 | 43 | 86 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | 5 | 81 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 32 | 6 | 1 | ... | 7 | 39 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 35 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 45 | 11 | ... | 2 | 13 | 58 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 36 |
| Joseph E. Simmons..... | 111 | 38 | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | 41 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 43 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 27 | 16 | ... | 1 | 17 | 44 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | 98 |
| Edward W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 81 | 11 | 4 | 7 | 22 | 103 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 62 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 57 | 6 | ... | 2 | 8 | 65 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 37 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 41 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 23 | 73 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 55 | 13 | 4 | 24 | 41 | 96 | ... | ... | 1 | 22 | ... | 1 | 29 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 24 | 3 | ... | 3 | 6 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 34 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 37 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 38 | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 34 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 33 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 38 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 36 |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 192 | 40 | 5 | 2 | 47 | 237 | 3 | ... | 3 | 17 | ... | 23 | 216 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | Aggregate | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | | Total Loss |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 131 | 12 | 2 | 9 | 23 | 154 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 4 | ..... | 7 | 147 |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 51 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 72 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 11 | ..... | 12 | 60 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 77 | 23 | 2 | 8 | 33 | 110 | ..... | 1 | 7 | 1 | ..... | 9 | 101 |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 20 | 11 | 1 | 20 | 32 | 52 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 48 |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 126 | 65 | 2 | 3 | 70 | 196 | ..... | 2 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 191 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 61 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 76 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 3 | ..... | 6 | 70 |
| T. L. Bouney..... | 127 | 29 | 9 | ..... | 8 | 17 | 46 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 15 | 15 | 31 |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 76 | 32 | 3 | 6 | 41 | 117 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | 11 | 106 |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | 9 | 22 | 1 | ..... | 23 | 32 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 | ..... | 6 | 26 |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 30 | 17 | ..... | 9 | 26 | 56 | 1 | 1 | 4 | ..... | 1 | 15 | 41 |
| George M. Thomas..... | 131 | 49 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 58 | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 51 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 37 | 7 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 44 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 39 |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | 33 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 19 | 52 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 13 | ..... | 13 | 44 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 37 | 17 | ..... | 3 | 20 | 57 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 5 | ..... | 9 | 48 |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 23 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 23 |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 23 | 22 | ..... | 2 | 24 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 33 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 37 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 8 | ..... | ..... | 47 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 56 | 10 | ..... | ..... | 10 | 66 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 64 |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 55 | 2 | ..... | 18 | 20 | 75 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 11 | ..... | 13 | 62 |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 77 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 14 | 91 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 86 |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 44 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 45 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 43 |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 37 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 5 | 42 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 6 | ..... | 14 | 23 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 44 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 45 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 4 | 41 |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 68 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 84 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 83 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 100 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 115 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 9 | ..... | 11 | 104 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 18 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 78 | 29 | 2 | 1 | 32 | 110 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 5 | ..... | 7 | 103 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 28 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 29 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 27 |
| Maj. George L. Stearns..... | 149 | 44 | 4 | ..... | 2 | 6 | 50 | 1 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 43 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 39 | 7 | ..... | ..... | 7 | 46 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 44 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 19 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 20 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 5 | ..... | 7 | 13 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 43 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 43 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | 6 | 37 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 50 | 10 | 1 | ..... | 11 | 61 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 60 |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 30 | 8 | 3 | ..... | 11 | 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 41 |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 49 | 15 | 1 | ..... | 16 | 65 | 1 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 62 |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 32 | 21 | 1 | 1 | 23 | 55 | 1 | 2 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 51 |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | 27 | 10 | 1 | ..... | 11 | 38 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 36 |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser..... | 158 | 26 | 16 | ..... | 1 | 17 | 43 | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 39 |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | 79 | 36 | ..... | ..... | 33 | 112 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 7 | 105 |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 26 | 8 | 2 | ..... | 10 | 36 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | ..... | 4 | 32 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | ..... | 56 | 4 | ..... | 60 | 60 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 4 | 56 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | ..... | 48 | ..... | ..... | 48 | 48 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 48 |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | ..... | 40 | 6 | ..... | 46 | 46 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 46 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | ..... | 21 | ..... | ..... | 21 | 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 21 |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | ..... | 31 | 5 | ..... | 36 | 36 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 36 |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | ..... | 52 | 3 | ..... | 55 | 55 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 53 |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | ..... | 21 | ..... | ..... | 21 | 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 21 |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | ..... | 40 | 3 | ..... | 43 | 43 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 42 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | ..... | 31 | ..... | ..... | 31 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 31 |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | ..... | 28 | ..... | ..... | 28 | 28 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 27 |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | ..... | 23 | ..... | ..... | 23 | 23 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 23 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | ..... | 14 | 3 | ..... | 17 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 17 |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | ..... | 38 | 1 | ..... | 39 | 39 | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 35 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | ..... | 68 | ..... | ..... | 68 | 68 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 68 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | ..... | 20 | ..... | ..... | 20 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | ..... | 43 | ..... | ..... | 43 | 43 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 43 |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | ..... | 24 | 2 | ..... | 26 | 26 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | ..... | 20 | ..... | ..... | 20 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 20 |
| Samue F. Woods..... | 179 | ..... | 27 | ..... | ..... | 27 | 27 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 27 |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | ..... | 27 | ..... | ..... | 27 | 27 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 27 |

Of the one hundred and eighty Posts comprising this Department, one hundred and twenty have gained in membership, three have the same number as one year ago, and forty have lost in number. Post making the largest per cent in gain is Post 124, East Bridgewater.

The charter of I. D. Paull Post No. 55 of Taunton, on recommendation of the Department Commander, was revoked by vote of the Council of Administration, at a meeting held at Department Headquarters, July 12, 1884. Said number was afterwards given to J. C. Freeman Post of Provincetown.

Number of rejections during the year, seventy-six.

One hundred and ninety-five comrades have died during the year,—an excess over last year of twenty-six. This is not to be wondered at, when we take into consideration the fact that the Department has increased in membership.

The obituary reports from Posts up to the third quarter, ending September 30, were so few (although attention was called to it twice in General Orders) that in order to carry out the resolution of the last Encampment in regard to a memorial page, it became necessary to prepare a blank on which to make these reports; by this means I am able to report one hundred and thirty out of the one hundred and ninety-five who have died, giving the name, age, rank, company, regiment or ship, and the Post to which the deceased belonged.

It is to be hoped in the years to come that every name will be reported, in order that a complete record may be kept at headquarters.

POSTS.

Twenty-one new Posts have been mustered during the year, as follows, viz.:—

Woburn Post No. 161 of Woburn; mustered Jan. 23, 1884; charter members, 45. Manton E. Taft Post No. 162 of Turners Falls; mustered Jan. 25, 1884; charter members, 36. Gen. J. G. Foster Post No. 163 of South Framingham; mustered March 25, 1884; charter members 36. Francis A. Clary Post No. 164 of Conway; mustered April 29, 1884; charter members, 17. William Wadsworth Post No. 165 of Duxbury; mustered May 19, 1884; charter members, 24. George C. Strong Post No. 166 of Easthampton; mustered June 17, 1884; charter members, 40. Jesse L. Reno Post No. 167 of Whitinsville; mustered June 18, 1884; charter members, 14. Malcom Ammi-down Post No. 168 of Southbridge; mustered June 27, 1884; charter members, 24. George K. Bird Post No. 169 of Norwood; mustered July 21, 1884; charter members, 29. John Rogers Post No. 170 of Mansfield; mustered July 31, 1884; charter members, 27. Albert S. Johnson Post No. 171 of Northfield; mustered

Aug. 15, 1884; charter members, 23. E. K. Warren Post No. 172 of Bolton; mustered Aug. 18, 1884; charter members, 17. J. Arthur Johnson Post No. 173 of Sturbridge; mustered August 26, 1884; charter members, 37. Edwin E. Day Post No. 174 of Greenfield; mustered Aug. 29, 1884; charter members, 62. Washburn Post No. 175 of Lancaster; mustered Sept. 5, 1884; charter members, 20. J. C. Freeman Post No. 55 of Provincetown; mustered Sept. 23, 1884; charter members 17. Gen. Horace C. Lee Post No. 176 of Huntington; mustered Oct. 9, 1884; charter members, 43. Scott Bradley Post No. 177 of Lee; mustered Nov. 6, 1884; charter members, 26. Myron Nichols Post No. 178 of Otis; mustered Nov. 28, 1884; charter members, 20. Samuel F. Woods Post No. 179 of Barre; mustered Dec. 11, 1884; charter members, 27. Old Concord Post 180 of Concord; mustered Dec. 20, 1884; charter members, 27.

Nineteen of these, with a charter membership of five hundred and thirty, were mustered during your administration. Post 161 and 162 were mustered in during the administration of Post Commander Evans.

The gain of Posts by counties is as follows: Barnstable, one; Berkshire, 2; Bristol, one; Franklin, four; Hampshire, two; Middlesex, three; Norfolk, one; Plymouth one; Worcester, six. Total, twenty-one.

I herewith present a tabulated report, giving in detail the strength of each county, number of each Post, and number of members, with date of charter.

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 44, | Feb. 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 43, | Mar. 15, 1882 |
| 55, Provincetown, | 28, | Sept. 23, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 3; members, 115. | | |

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 79, North Adams, | 89, | Mar. 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 191, | Mar. 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 70, | June 12, 1870 |
| 158, Housatonic, | 39, | Aug. 23, 1863 |
| 177, Lee, | 26, | Nov. 6, 1884 |
| 178, Otis, | 20, | Nov. 28, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 6; members, 435. | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 222, | Oct. 14, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 161, | Jan. 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 232, | Jan. 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 75, | Feb. 29, 1868 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 104, | June 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 20, | April 27, 1881 |
| 170, Mansfield, | 27, | July 31, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 7; members, 941. | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 5, Lynn, | 855, | Feb. 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 222, | Nov. 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 331, | Dec. 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 149, | Jan. 21, 1880 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 240, | Jan. 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 251, | Feb. 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 116, | April 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 43, | Sept. 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 171, | Mar. 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 183, | June 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 146, | June 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 45, | June 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 50, | April 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 70, | Feb. 1, 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 28, | July 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 58, | Dec. 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 81, | Aug. 18, 1869 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 62, | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 34, | Jan. 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 67, | Mar. 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 106, | Jan. 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 13, | Jan. 10, 1874 |
| 152, Essex, | 37, | Jan. 22, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 23; members, 3,351. | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------|-----|---------------|
| 17, Orange, | 67, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 24, | March 4, 1875 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 84, South Deerfield, | 31, | April 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 55, | June 15, 1869 |
| 150, Montague, | 44, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 162, Turners Falls, | 48, | Jan. 25, 1884 |
| 164, Conway, | 21, | April 29, 1884 |
| 171, Northfield, | 23, | Aug. 15, 1884 |
| 174, Greenfield, | 68, | Aug. 29, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 9; members, 381. | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 16, Springfield, | 464, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 131, | Jan. 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 112, | Nov. 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 64, | Oct. 27, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 47, | July 18, 1881 |
| 155, Monson, | 62, | May 26, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 6; members, 880. | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 85, Ware, | 36, | May 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 142, | Aug. 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 44, | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 103, | Oct. 31, 1882 |
| 166, East Hampton, | 53, | June 17, 1884 |
| 176, Huntington, | 43, | Oct. 9, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 6; members, 421. | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|------|---------------|
| 4, Melrose, | 58, | Feb. 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 41, | March 8, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 91, | May 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 190, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 37, | July, 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 37, | Aug. 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 102, | Oct. 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridgeport, | 225, | Oct. 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 82, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 51, | May 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 109, | Oct. 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 332, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 129, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 43, | Jan. 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 107, | June 26, 1868 |
| 57, E. Cambridge, | 144, | June 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 102, | July 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 139, | July 23, 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 101, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 98, | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 49, | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 115, Groton, | 37, | July 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 36, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 216, | Oct. 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 64, | May 2, 1883 |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES—*Continued.*

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 139, Somerville, | 62, | Aug. 18, 1870 |
| 142, Framingham, | 28, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 27, | May 22, 1872 |
| 156, Everett, | 51, | June 14, 1883 |
| 161, Woburn, | 56, | Jan. 23, 1884 |
| 163, S. Framingham, | 46, | Mar. 25, 1884 |
| 180, Concord, | 27, | Dec. 20, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 32; members, 2,907. | | |

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 190, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 73, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 65, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 71, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 84, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 27, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 70, | June 24, 1869 |
| 98, Cohasset, | 27, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 102, Milton, | 56, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 54, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 29, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 147, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 41, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 39, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 41, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 83, | May 22, 1871 |
| 157, Walpole, | 36, | July 21, 1883 |
| 169, Norwood, | 31, | July 21, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 18; members, 1,164. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 70, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 156, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 63, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 94, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 108, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 118, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 135, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 30, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 65, | July 29, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 36, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 43, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 48, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 31, | June 11, 1870 |
| 154, Kingston, | 41, | May 24, 1883 |
| 165, Duxbury, | 36, | May 19, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 15; members, 1,074. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 202, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 307, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 165, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 323, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 59, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 109, | Sept. 17, 1867 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 26, Roxbury, | 139, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 69, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 400, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 232, | Oct. 8, 1868 |
| 92, Brighton, | 57, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 98, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 48, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 43, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 159, East Boston, | 105, | Sept. 7, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 15; members, 2,358. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 574, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 218, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 114, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 67, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 35, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 41, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 36, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 103, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 49, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 32, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 64, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 103, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 23, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 28, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 104, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 82, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 43, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 28, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 52, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 23, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 95, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 28, | June 28, 1869 |
| 105, Upton, | 39, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 35, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 73, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 101, | June 1, 1870 |
| 129, Millville, | 26, | April 25, 1883 |
| 131, Leicester, | 51, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 23, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 47, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 25, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 86, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 153, Winchendon, | 60, | Mar. 6, 1883 |
| 160, W. Brookfield, | 32, | Sept. 18, 1883 |
| 167, Whitinsville, | 21, | June 18, 1884 |
| 172, Bolton, | 17, | Aug. 18, 1884 |
| 173, Sturbridge, | 37, | Aug. 26, 1884 |
| 175, Lancaster, | 20, | Sept. 5, 1884 |
| 168, Southbridge, | 42, | June 27, 1884 |
| 179, Barre, | 27, | Dec. 11, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 40; members, 2,704. | | |

REPORTS.

It was very gratifying to me to be able to forward complete consolidated reports for the fourth quarter ending December 31, to National Headquarters, January 16. This could not have been done but for the promptness of Post officers in forwarding their reports to Department Headquarters, for which they have my heartfelt thanks. Now comrades, if these reports can be in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant-General on time one quarter, why not each quarter? They can, by your assistance, and it is sincerely to be hoped the effort made by Post officers this last quarter will become the rule, and not the exception.

HEADQUARTERS.

I regret that I have been unable to accept but a few of the many pressing invitations to visit Posts the past year. As the Department increases in membership, the work devolving upon the Assistant Adjutant-General increases, and it requires all his time to properly discharge his duties. Only those who visit headquarters can form any idea of the amount of work. I trust no Post has felt offended because I did not accept their kind invitation. There have been issued during the year twelve General Orders one hundred and twelve Special Orders, and five circulars. To conduct the correspondence it required 3,000 letter-heads, and 2,500 postal cards. All letters received have been filed, numbered and indexed.

In closing, I return my thanks to the officers of Posts and comrades, for their courtesies in my official relations with them; to the Staff officers, for the assistance they have given me in the discharge of my duties; to you, Department Commander, I extend my personal and heartfelt thanks, and assure you I highly appreciate the honor you conferred upon me in appointing me to this office. I shall look back with pleasure and pride to my association with you the past year.

I have the honor to be,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to report to you, and through you to the comrades of the Department Encampment, the work that has been done by this office during the year now about closing, and while it has been my pleasure to act as Assistant Quartermaster-General.

The following abstracts, sustained by complete vouchers, contain a full statement of receipts, expenditures and issues:—

RECEIPTS.

| 1884. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand as per last report | | \$1,744 31 |
| Received for dues, first quarter, 1884 | | |
| " " second quarter, 1884 | | 1,166 86 |
| " " third quarter, 1884 | | 1,186 10 |
| " " fourth quarter, 1884 | | 1,257 82 |
| " " books and blanks | | 628 31 |
| " " badges | | 1,890 60 |
| " " sundries | | 260 50 |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$8,134 50</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | <i>Cr.</i> | |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | | \$1,559 75 |
| " " " dues | | 460 58 |
| " rent and care of office | | 429 63 |
| " salaries | | 1,191 63 |
| " inspection expenses | | 450 41 |
| " printing, books and blanks, etc | | 1,071 05 |
| " sundries (postage, postals, telegrams, express, extra clerk and office expense) | | 495 68 |
| " organizing new Posts | | 192 73 |
| " flood sufferers and charity | | 125 00 |
| " Department Commander, travelling expenses " " " and Assistant Adjutant-General, National Encampment | | 81 19 74 00 |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$6,131 65</u> |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$2,002 85</u> |
| Vouchers cover expenses. | | |

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 29, 1884.

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|---|------------|-------------------|
| 1884 | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$2,002 85 | |
| Received for dues | 1,278 76 | |
| “ books and blanks | 53 09 | |
| “ badges | 154 80 | |
| “ sundries | 51 03 | |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$3,540 53</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|--|---------|-------------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$88 35 | |
| “ “ dues | 166 37 | |
| “ rent and care of office | 40 33 | |
| “ salaries | 108 33 | |
| “ printing, books and blanks | 134 40 | |
| “ sundries, postage, postal cards, express, clerk hire, office expenses | 90 39 | |
| “ Department Commander, travelling expenses | 26 74 | |
| “ “ Inspector | 50 00 | |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$704 91</u> |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$2,835 62</u> |

ASSETS, JAN. 29, 1885.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand | \$2,835 62 |
| Value of supplies on hand | 345 24 |
| Due from Posts for supplies | 16 90 |
| Office furniture | 400 00 |
| Colors | 30 00 |
| Total assets | <u>\$3,627 76</u> |

AND NO LIABILITIES.

The Department has reason for congratulation on its present excellent financial standing. I am greatly indebted, and make, in consequence, my acknowledgments, to Comrade A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General, for having performed most of the duties of the office.

With my warmest thanks to the Commander and officers of the Staff for continued favors and kindness,

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

THOMAS E. BARKER,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1884.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit the following as my report for the past year:—

Nineteen posts have been organized during my term of office, located as follows: 163, South Framingham; 164, Conway; 165, Duxbury; 166, East Hampton; 167, Whitinsville; 168, Southbridge; 169, Norwood; 170, Mansfield; 171, Northfield; 172, Bolton; 173, Sturbridge; 174, Greenfield; 175, Lancaster; 176, Huntington; 55, Provincetown; 177, Lee; 178, Otis; 179, Barre; 180, Concord.

I have personally organized all of these Posts, travelling in the performance of this duty over three thousand miles. There have been two inspections of the Department during the year, at each of which every Post was inspected.

The spring inspection was by order of the Commander-in-Chief. One copy of the report thereof was forwarded to the Inspector-General; the duplicate is on file at this office. The fall inspection was ordered by the Department Commander, and I respectfully forward herewith the report therefor.

Notwithstanding the increased number of Aides, there have not been enough Assistant Inspectors to perform the duty within the given time, either at the spring or fall inspections, and I would respectfully recommend that hereafter there be a sufficient number appointed, so that no one need have more than three Posts to inspect.

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| Number of comrades in good standing . . . | 16,206 |
| “ “ remaining suspended . . . | 863 |
| “ “ dropped during the year . . . | 366 |
| “ Posts in which the ritual is committed to memory . | 114 |
| “ “ in which the ritual is properly performed . . | 112 |
| “ “ in which the officers wear proper rank badges . | 149 |
| “ “ in which the guards are armed and equipped . | 143 |
| “ “ in which a badge is presented to recruits . . | 117 |
| “ “ in which the officers are regular in attendance . | 163 |
| “ “ in which the records are properly kept . . | 169 |
| “ “ in which all reports and dues have been forwarded | 175 |
| “ “ in which the Quartermaster's bond is filed . . | 164 |
| “ “ in which weekly benefits are paid . . . | 32 |
| “ “ in which the members are uniformed . . . | 140 |

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| Number Posts in which the uniform consists of hat or cap, blouse and pants | 20 |
| “ “ in which the uniform consists of hat or cap and blouse | 60 |
| “ “ in which the uniform consists of hat or cap, | 60 |
| “ “ reported in excellent condition | 53 |
| “ “ reported in good condition | 83 |
| “ “ reported in fair condition | 24 |
| “ “ reported in poor condition | 15 |
| Amount of money in Post Funds | \$36,845 13 |
| “ money in Relief Funds | 120,569 43 |
| “ other funds in property held by Posts | 90,009 94 |
| “ expended in charity during the year | 35,793 51 |
| Number of comrades relieved | 1,234 |
| “ persons not comrades relieved | 927 |
| The average attendance at Post meetings is | 29 $\frac{23}{100}$ % |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Is the work properly performed? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman.. | 1 | 214 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | 8 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 198 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 75 | None |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 166 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 3 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 56 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 863 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 250 | 29 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 42 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | 6 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | 290 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 90 | 18 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 67 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 4 |
| Reno..... | 9 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 30 | 8 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 564 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 80 | 16 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 161 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 42 | None |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 186 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 5 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 158 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 26 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 285 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 80 | 48 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 448 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 68 | 13 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 3 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 34 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | 8 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 217 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 59 | None |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 26 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 2 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 112 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 15 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 100 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 35 | 13 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 67 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 35 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | 16 | None |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 10 |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 44 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 17 | 10 |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 34 | No | No | Yes | Hat | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 3 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 101 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | 2 |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 200 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 77 | 29 |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 62 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 1 |
| Washington..... | 32 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 10 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 76 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 208 | Yes | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 42 | 54 |
| Theodore Winthrop.. | 35 | 383 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 100 | 54 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 110 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 49 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Needham..... | 39 | 340 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 38 | 1 |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 109 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 33 | None |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 153 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 33 | 6 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 326 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 75 | 2 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | 5 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 1 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 139 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 230 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | None |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 256 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 46 | 30 |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 44 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 17 | None |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 261 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 63 | 3 |
| Union..... | 50 | 108 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 26 | 55 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 65 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | None |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | None |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 104 | Yes | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 20 | None |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | 24 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 100 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 139 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 2 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 200 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | No | Yes | Yes | No | No | 50 | 100 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | 13 | 1 |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 70 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |

MASSACHUSETTS G.A.R., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1884.

| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 2 | \$3 00 | \$4 00 | \$108 97 | \$722 51 | Yes | \$138 51 | Yes | \$3 00 | \$219 58 | 12 | 8 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 459 27 | 2,705 46 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 600 00 | 4 | 5 | Excellent |
| 1 | 4 00 | 3 00 | 282 99 | 2,028 72 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 1,028 71 | 35 | 21 | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 63 72 | 670 32 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 192 70 | 2 | 3 | Fair |
| 17 | 6 00 | 3 00 | 910 09 | 4,423 38 | Yes | 23,127 70 | Yes | 4 00 | 5,602 28 | 225 | 34 | Excellent |
| 8 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 70 80 | 25 00 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 409 11 | 15 | 2 | Good |
| 7 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 333 81 | 1,435 00 | Yes | 3,200 00 | No | ..... | 334 90 | 31 | 9 | Excellent |
| None | 3 50 | 3 00 | 59 16 | 717 38 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 145 50 | 10 | 5 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 116 68 | 845 88 | Yes | 400 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 200 00 | 1 | 13 | Excellent |
| 5 | 3 50 | 2 00 | 352 93 | 3,020 06 | Yes | 1,800 00 | No | ..... | 1,565 38 | 29 | 36 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2,426 76 | ..... | Yes | 342 38 | No | ..... | 63 23 | 1 | 8 | Good |
| 3 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 26 01 | 689 05 | Yes | 621 50 | No | ..... | 661 18 | 25 | 18 | Good |
| None | 3 50 | 3 00 | 82 90 | 833 46 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 175 00 | 9 | 7 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 91 41 | 337 33 | Yes | 150 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 50 40 | 1 | 2 | Fair |
| 18 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 468 03 | 73 56 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 514 40 | 16 | 15 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2,467 18 | 2,033 52 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 249 02 | 20 | 17 | Excellent |
| 5 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 28 94 | 282 80 | Yes | 125 00 | No | ..... | 71 50 | 2 | None | Good |
| 1 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 348 53 | 554 14 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 100 61 | 4 | 5 | Good |
| 11 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 1,840 17 | 5,589 97 | Yes | 2,500 00 | No | ..... | 550 40 | 20 | 13 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 72 61 | 117 71 | Yes | 75 00 | No | ..... | 18 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 37 15 | 515 61 | Yes | 175 00 | No | ..... | 75 00 | 4 | None | Good |
| 4 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 247 71 | 613 23 | Yes | 825 00 | No | ..... | 264 47 | 7 | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 54 37 | 6 30 | Yes | 250 00 | No | ..... | 477 22 | 9 | 8 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 146 76 | 62 85 | Yes | 75 00 | No | ..... | 5 85 | 1 | None | Fair |
| None | 1 00 | 60 | 7 35 | 181 16 | Yes | 125 00 | No | ..... | 157 88 | 2 | 1 | Fair |
| 10 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 262 47 | 511 67 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 324 17 | 8 | 11 | Excellent |
| 6 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 82 73 | 59 57 | No | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 68 43 | 7 | 1 | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 12 40 | 110 00 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 98 50 | 2 | None | Good |
| 2 | 1 60 | 3 00 | 214 53 | 2,045 14 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 162 00 | 5 | 18 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 887 73 | 1,443 00 | Yes | 1,200 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 251 30 | 17 | None | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 2 00 | 37 00 | 1,193 00 | Yes | 1,700 00 | No | ..... | 28 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 8 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 14 18 | 95 00 | Yes | 250 00 | No | ..... | 40 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 50 83 | 429 86 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 65 89 | 12 | 4 | Excellent |
| 14 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 35 03 | 1,229 93 | Yes | 235 00 | Yes | 1 00 | 732 60 | 12 | 7 | Good |
| 13 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 492 98 | ..... | Yes | 1,700 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 604 00 | 34 | 6 | Good |
| 3 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 77 59 | 786 05 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 216 84 | 4 | 1 | Good |
| None | 1 50 | 1 50 | 115 01 | 346 70 | Yes | 13 00 | No | ..... | 148 60 | 3 | 13 | Excellent |
| None | 1 65 | 1 00 | ..... | 325 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 43 75 | 3 | 8 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 345 01 | 1,363 03 | Yes | 1,191 35 | No | ..... | 1,234 36 | 43 | 45 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 70 00 | 916 25 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 228 96 | 4 | 40 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 1 50 | 26 42 | 366 99 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 37 00 | 1 | 1 | Excellent |
| 7 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 2,600 73 | 3,177 44 | Yes | 1,800 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 1,081 81 | 11 | 8 | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 72 90 | 3,390 19 | Yes | 423 37 | No | ..... | 423 37 | 16 | 3 | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 2 00 | 72 84 | 252 57 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 40 96 | 1 | None | Good |
| 6 | 3 75 | 3 00 | 636 62 | 1,645 18 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 229 47 | 7 | 85 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 192 14 | 82 02 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 141 91 | 16 | None | Excellent |
| 13 | 4 00 | 4 00 | ..... | 5,180 49 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 778 41 | 30 | 46 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 3 24 | 545 10 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 5 00 | None | None | Excellent |
| 2 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 14 39 | 39 43 | Yes | 10,000 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 305 63 | 21 | 13 | Excellent |
| 9 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 66 22 | 1,282 33 | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 991 84 | 27 | 7 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 381 81 | 114 57 | Yes | 875 00 | No | ..... | 7 50 | None | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 1 70 | 2 00 | 164 00 | 380 42 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 173 01 | 4 | 7 | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 52 23 | 726 26 | Yes | 645 00 | No | ..... | 204 80 | 3 | 3 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 45 | 174 55 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| None | 4 00 | 4 00 | 73 36 | 776 94 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 289 36 | 10 | 4 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 220 00 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 289 35 | 12 | 1 | Excellent |
| 9 | 15 00 | 4 00 | 259 32 | 13,000 00 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 1,121 54 | 21 | 11 | Poor |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 26 46 | 407 36 | No | ..... | Yes | 2 00 | 16 00 | 3 | None | Good |
| None | 1 75 | 2 00 | 4 88 | 403 80 | Yes | 5 00 | No | ..... | 95 47 | 1 | 9 | Fair |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Is the work properly performed? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 100 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 29 | 3 |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 97 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 38 | None |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 140 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 24 | 1 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 43 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | 4 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 96 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| Allen..... | 67 | 44 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | None |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 241 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 75 | 13 |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | 29 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 11 | None |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 50 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 18 | 18 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 108 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 14 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 58 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 22 | 4 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 95 | No | No | Yes | Hat | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 4 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 106 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 24 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 98 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 23 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 120 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 23 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | 8 | None |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 135 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 2 |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 93 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 35 | 1 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | 12 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 171 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | 1 |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 31 | No | No | Yes | Hat | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 1 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 34 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 36 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | None |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | None |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 6 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 89 | 174 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 28 | 22 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 146 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 37 | None |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 8 | None |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 57 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | Yes | No | 15 | None |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |
| Revere..... | 94 | 67 | No | No | No | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 45 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 29 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 10 | None |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 45 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 6 |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | 27 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | 1 |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 57 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 74 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | 4 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 36 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | 7 |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | 1 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 68 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 6 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 54 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | 13 | 6 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 47 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 82 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 31 | 2 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 34 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 15 | 1 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | No | No | No | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 40 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 2 |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 2 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 38 | No | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | No | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | 12 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 27 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 10 | None |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 36 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 213 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 12 |

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| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 11 | \$2 00 | \$2 00 | \$178 04 | \$2,007 89 | Yes | \$450 00 | No | | \$196 36 | 9 | 3 | Excellent |
| 5 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 21 34 | 1,437 44 | Yes | | Yes | \$5 00 | 177 40 | 10 | 4 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 325 00 | 47 19 | No | | No | | 171 27 | 10 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 472 00 | 123 0 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 107 30 | 8 | 18 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 55 15 | 107 35 | Yes | 15 00 | No | | 21 48 | 1 | None | Good |
| 4 | 2 75 | 2 00 | 68 31 | | No | | No | | 65 20 | None | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 44 95 | 626 32 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | 5 00 | None | None | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 635 69 | 987 30 | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 795 91 | 29 | 6 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 1 00 | 46 16 | 33 44 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| 5 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 204 83 | 133 86 | No | | No | | 15 01 | 1 | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 160 22 | 25 00 | Yes | 700 00 | No | | 160 16 | 1 | 13 | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 241 39 | 185 53 | No | | Yes | 4 00 | 297 39 | 10 | 14 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1,265 00 | 105 00 | Yes | 800 00 | No | | 115 00 | 3 | 3 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 53 95 | 1,834 23 | Yes | 1,200 00 | No | | 393 00 | 9 | 2 | Good |
| None | 1 75 | 3 00 | 107 03 | 776 30 | Yes | 2,000 00 | No | | 102 53 | 6 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 4 00 | 3 00 | 411 48 | 1,834 24 | No | | No | | 187 73 | 22 | 25 | Excellent |
| 4 | 1 00 | 50 | 28 63 | 248 22 | No | | No | | 7 50 | None | 2 | Fair |
| 1 | 3 60 | 2 00 | 18 46 | 630 64 | No | | No | | 586 65 | 14 | 5 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 565 00 | | No | | No | | 77 85 | 6 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 153 46 | 2,154 57 | No | | No | | 72 60 | 4 | 16 | Good |
| 1 | 2 60 | 4 00 | 509 03 | 456 36 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 2 50 | 408 70 | 3 | 7 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 75 | 3 00 | 166 74 | 73 02 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 354 00 | 1 | 8 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 41 44 | 532 98 | No | | No | | 31 50 | 1 | | Poor |
| None | 1 75 | 1 00 | | 225 00 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 111 40 | 330 30 | No | | No | | 1 10 | | 2 | Poor |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 33 14 | 471 88 | No | | No | | 10 00 | 1 | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 3 00 | 19 00 | 100 00 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 129 75 | 9 | 2 | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 13 09 | 2,941 19 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 276 55 | 21 | 4 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 12 83 | 874 59 | Yes | 945 00 | No | | 931 97 | 40 | 18 | Fair |
| 3 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2,955 51 | | Yes | 450 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 453 36 | 17 | 8 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 32 | 23 92 | 39 48 | No | | No | | 21 00 | 2 | 8 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 22 06 | 40 60 | Yes | 100 00 | No | | 150 00 | 2 | 15 | Poor |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 633 00 | | Yes | 350 00 | No | | 85 00 | 6 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 439 92 | 787 97 | No | | Yes | 3 00 | 358 97 | 5 | 6 | Poor |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 121 36 | 608 70 | Yes | 150 00 | No | | 52 50 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 9 79 | 29 41 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| 4 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 8 58 | 48 50 | No | | No | | 11 00 | 2 | 1 | Fair |
| 1 | 1 00 | 3 00 | | 600 00 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 400 00 | 491 00 | Yes | 400 00 | No | | 17 10 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 316 22 | | Yes | 500 00 | No | | 14 00 | 5 | None | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 32 | 3 32 | 6 01 | | Yes | 3,000 00 | No | | 15 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 3 75 | 170 70 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | 70 00 | 5 | None | Good |
| 3 | 1 75 | 3 00 | 542 0 | | No | | No | | 53 50 | 8 | 4 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 46 00 | 468 00 | No | | No | | 87 50 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 303 34 | | No | | No | | 30 50 | 1 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 58 48 | 431 91 | Yes | 75 00 | No | | 64 00 | 3 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 90 94 | | Yes | 53 00 | No | | | | | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 24 03 | 675 00 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | 107 56 | 9 | 3 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 108 10 | 240 25 | Yes | 35 00 | No | | 40 00 | 1 | 1 | Fair |
| 3 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 122 78 | 915 19 | Yes | 150 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 115 00 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 33 12 | 59 09 | No | | No | | 10 00 | 1 | 1 | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 66 00 | 380 00 | No | | No | | 20 00 | None | None | Good |
| 2 | 5 00 | 6 00 | 116 83 | 4,227 66 | No | | No | | 506 38 | 2 | None | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1,300 59 | | Yes | 650 00 | No | | 128 22 | 3 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 88 88 | 1 44 | Yes | 30 00 | No | | | | | Poor |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 224 80 | 1,452 53 | Yes | 45 78 | No | | 184 91 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 477 09 | | No | | No | | 61 25 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 1 32 | 11 69 | 27 40 | No | | No | | 8 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 95 65 | 698 75 | No | | No | | 11 25 | None | 1 | Good |
| 6 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 567 74 | 4,812 60 | Yes | 73 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 731 45 | 26 | 7 | Excellent |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of Members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Is the work properly performed? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|-------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | 142 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | 4 |
| E. P. Wallace | 122 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 96 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 179 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 34 | None |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 67 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 3 |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 33 | No | No | Yes | Hat | No | No | No | No | Yes | 11 | None |
| Gen. James Appleton. | 128 | 104 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| William H. Freeman. | 129 | 31 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | No | 12 | 6 |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | 39 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 7 |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 1 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 43 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| George H. Maintien..... | 133 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 56 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | 22 | None |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 45 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 25 | No | No | Yes | ..... | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | 16 | 6 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 65 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 63 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | 5 |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 85 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 43 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 30 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | 12 | 3 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 41 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | No | 10 | None |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 106 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | 11 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 20 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 104 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 40 | 2 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | None |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns..... | 149 | 46 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 44 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 2 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 13 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 9 | 3 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 39 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | 16 | 1 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | None |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 60 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 41 | None |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Elbridge D. Piper..... | 157 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 20 | None |
| E. S. Dresser..... | 158 | 35 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| John A. Hayes..... | 159 | 104 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 38 | None |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 26 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 57 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | 13 | None |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 48 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 41 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 20 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 50 | No | No | Yes | Cap | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 14 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | Yes | 10 | None |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 39 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 24 | None |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 29 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | Yes | Yes | 19 | None |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 24 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 23 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 16 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | Yes | 9 | None |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 35 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 62 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 43 | None |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 20 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | Yes | 14 | None |

MASS. G.A.R., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1884 — *Continued.*

| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| None | \$2 00 | \$1 50 | \$131 63 | \$505 69 | No | | No | | \$519 87 | 14 | 10 | Excellent |
| 8 | 2 00 | 3 60 | 59 87 | 181 85 | Yes | \$300 00 | Yes | \$4 00 | 126 67 | 8 | 7 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 394 33 | | Yes | 500 00 | No | | 81 05 | 6 | 5 | Good |
| 1 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 45 23 | 137 40 | Yes | 100 00 | No | | 38 66 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 2 00 | 96 89 | 49 39 | Yes | 100 00 | No | | 25 17 | 5 | None | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 250 00 | | No | | No | | 40 00 | 1 | 3 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 43 65 | 230 51 | Yes | 50 00 | No | | | | | Poor |
| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 379 32 | 289 61 | Yes | 100 00 | No | | 113 25 | 7 | 8 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 3 00 | 21 19 | | No | | No | | 2 00 | 1 | None | Poor |
| 6 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 12 23 | 2 26 | No | | No | | 51 05 | 5 | None | Fair |
| 2 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 92 40 | 553 22 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 3 75 | 3 00 | 12 25 | 573 97 | | | No | | 68 00 | 1 | 4 | Good |
| 1 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 50 13 | 1,361 11 | No | | No | | 50 00 | 3 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 10 00 | | No | | Yes | 3 00 | 23 00 | 8 | None | Poor |
| None | 2 00 | 1 00 | 6 53 | 75 00 | No | | No | | | | | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 50 | 4 73 | 15 00 | No | | Yes | 5 00 | | | | Good |
| 5 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 33 30 | 440 00 | No | | No | | 74 00 | 1 | None | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 20 00 | 175 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | | 25 00 | | 5 | Excellent |
| 12 | 3 50 | 4 00 | 19 00 | 778 34 | Yes | 600 00 | No | | 21 66 | 1 | 2 | Fair |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 205 97 | | Yes | 75 00 | No | | 138 01 | 7 | 8 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 4 36 | 41 00 | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 11 51 | 2 95 | No | | No | | 178 62 | 3 | None | Good |
| 3 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 121 93 | 393 46 | Yes | 500 00 | No | | | | | Poor |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 74 15 | 414 76 | No | | No | | 119 41 | 2 | 13 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1 41 | 1,500 00 | No | | No | | 239 34 | 5 | 9 | Good |
| 2 | 1 00 | 4 00 | 35 14 | | No | | No | | | | | Poor |
| 1 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 300 00 | | No | | No | | 8 70 | None | 1 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 5 96 | 14 00 | No | | No | | | 1 | 1 | Poor |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 12 66 | 287 00 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 88 00 | 7 | 3 | Fair |
| 1 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 60 00 | 65 00 | Yes | 154 75 | No | | 18 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 5 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 19 | | Yes | 1,450 00 | No | | 26 00 | 1 | None | Poor |
| 2 | 2 75 | 3 00 | 60 00 | 225 00 | Yes | 125 00 | No | | | None | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 22 68 | 52 70 | Yes | 375 00 | No | | | None | None | Good |
| None | 4 00 | 3 00 | 24 58 | 980 92 | No | | No | | 23 00 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 12 81 | | Yes | 1,102 60 | No | | 30 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 4 00 | 17 24 | 810 16 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 39 90 | 2 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 1 50 | 4 00 | 33 53 | 64 00 | No | | No | | 36 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 19 31 | | No | | No | | 1 50 | None | 2 | Fair |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 11 97 | 2,170 00 | No | | Yes | 3 00 | 156 39 | 4 | 8 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 28 13 | 426 57 | No | | No | | 12 72 | 2 | None | Fair |
| 3 | 1 00 | 3 00 | | | No | | No | | 25 00 | None | 1 | Fair |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 15 20 | | No | | No | | 64 00 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | | | Yes | 300 00 | No | | 10 00 | 1 | | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 3 65 | | No | | No | | | | | Fair |
| None | 2 50 | 2 32 | 18 03 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 14 05 | | No | | No | | | | | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | | | No | | No | | | | | Poor |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 67 46 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 35 50 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 50 | 2 33 | 4 89 | | No | | No | | | | | Fair |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 31 65 | | No | | No | | | | | Fair |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 12 00 | | No | | No | | | | | Poor |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 13 25 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | | | Yes | 38 80 | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 12 50 | | No | | No | | | | | Fair |

I heartily congratulate the members of this Department on the increased accuracy with which the work of the Order is performed by the Posts, and on the greater interest manifested by the officers and comrades in bringing their Posts up to the high standard of discipline so long maintained by this Department.

I wish to thank all the comrades who have acted as Assistant Inspectors for the prompt, faithful, efficient and intelligent manner in which they have performed their duties.

I wish also to tender my cordial thanks to Aides-de-Camp B. Read Wales and W. L. Gage for assistance rendered on several occasions at the formation of new Posts.

To my fellow-members of the official Staff I would say that their fraternity and good-fellowship have rendered the past year one of the pleasantest in a somewhat long connection with the Grand Army, and have in many ways lightened the sometimes perplexing duties of my office.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours fraternally,

S. A. CUSHING, JR.

Inspector.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to respectfully report, that during the past year I have assisted at the organization of eight Posts, have attended four meetings of the Council of Administration, and have officiated at the installation ceremonies of Post 165 of Duxbury. The applications for installing officers have been filled, and comrades so designated have creditably performed the duties assigned them.

In closing this brief report, I beg leave to assure the many comrades whose acquaintance I have formed, and whose kind hospitality I have so much enjoyed, that no greater pleasure can befall me than to have the opportunity to reciprocate those many favors; and also to express my heartfelt thanks to the Department Commander and his Staff, for the courtesies extended in the performance of my duties.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

GEORGE H. BONNEY, JR

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 24, 1885.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

Comrade: I herewith submit my report for the past year. I have given eight opinions upon various questions arising upon appeal or other matters submitted to me by order of the Department Commander. I have been detailed and acted as Judge Advocate in one Department court-martial, which resulted in a verdict of acquittal upon all the charges preferred against the comrade accused.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JOHN H. HARDY,
Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

Commander and Comrades: The Council of Administration, in presenting their report to this Convention, feel that the full and elaborate reports from the several Departments already received leave little for them to add to which your attention has not already been called.

We have held four regular meetings and one special meeting, all of which have been very fully attended, showing a gratifying interest in the work of the Department by its elective officers.

At the meeting of February 16, the action of the Commander in sending \$25. to the Department of Kentucky in aid of the sufferers by the floods was approved.

At the meeting of July 12, the Council voted, on recommendation of the Department Commander, to revoke the charter of I. D. Paull Post No. 55 of Taunton.

October 25, the Council approved the action of the Commander at the National Encampment, in subscribing for this Department the sum of \$100 to the fund raised for Comrade Johnson of Dakota, who lost his leg by a railroad accident.

At the special meeting held December 20, arrangements were made for the convening of this Encampment.

The large increase in the number of Posts, with the general desire to receive an official visit from the Commander during his term of office, makes so loud a call on that officer's time and purse as to practically place the office out of the reach of many able and worthy comrades. To lighten the duties in a measure,

your Council would recommend that the sum of \$300 be appropriated by this Encampment, the same as last year, to be used in paying the travelling fares of the Commander while on official visits, and of the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders when acting for him on official business, such payments to be approved by the Elective Council; also that the travelling fares of the Commander and the Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department.

The rapid growth of this Department shows most conspicuously in the financial statement of the Assistant Quartermaster-General, and there seems to be no good reason now apparent why this most gratifying increase of receipts over expenditures should not continue for several years to come, when the receipts must begin to diminish, and so continue until the balances appear on the wrong side of the ledger. It would seem to be the part of prudence and wisdom to provide while we can for that future sure to come, and thus insure the continuance (without embarrassment) of the Assistant Adjutant-General's office until the last Post has sent in its charter, and the records of this great organization shall be completed. The Encampment of 1884 created a reserve fund of one thousand dollars. We would recommend that this fund be increased by the addition of one thousand dollars from the funds now in the hands of the Assistant Quartermaster-General.

Your Council would suggest that some definite financial policy be adopted by the Department, and recommend the appointment of a committee to consider the matter fully, and report, as soon as practicable, some plan to the Council of Administration for their adoption.

We have, through a committee appointed for the purpose, carefully examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant-General and the Assistant Quartermaster-General, together with the bills, vouchers, funds, and supplies on hand, and can vouch for the correctness of their reports now in your hands.

In closing, your Council desire to express their appreciation of the faithful, earnest and efficient service rendered by our retiring Commander in his efforts to maintain and improve the high standard of excellence already attained by this Department; also to thank his efficient Assistant Adjutant-General for the courteous treatment and ready assistance received from him during our term of office.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

W. W. SCOTT,
J. CUSHING THOMAS,
JOHN McDONOUGH,
EDWARD McKAY,
CHAS. H. TRACY,

Council of Administration.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: The abolition of Form F, and the duties of inspecting Posts being now confined to the Aides-de-Camp, make the position of Medical Director simply an honorary one. It is a position complimentary to the Medical Department of the Army, and as such I am proud to have represented that corps of surgeons sent out by Massachusetts in the days of the Rebellion, to treat the sick and care for her wounded soldiers.

I had the pleasure of accompanying the Department Commander, John D. Billings, and the Massachusetts delegates to the National Encampment, held at Minneapolis, but the exemplary and regular habits of the party gave the Medical Director no opportunity to exercise his medical skill. That the Medical Department of the G.A.R. may be better utilized, I would most respectfully recommend that ex-army surgeons, wherever possible, be chosen Post Surgeons, and that the Medical Director of the Department shall be *ex officio* President of a Grand Army Medical Organization, composed of the Post Surgeons of the Department of Massachusetts; that the object of this organization shall be to get at the medical and surgical history of our Massachusetts regiments and our Massachusetts soldiers, and by papers and discussions bring out the experiences of her army surgeons.

Such an organization should meet annually, the same week as the Department Encampment; the president to make arrangements for place and time of meeting, for papers and discussions, and such literary work as would best advance the objects of the organization.

Believing that here is an important field to cover, and that the ex-army surgeons of Massachusetts are ready to contribute their experiences as medical officers of the war for the benefit of future generations,

I have the honor to remain yours in F., C. and L.,

JAMES OLIVER, JR.

Medical Director.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 29, 1885.

Commander and Comrades: At the close of this official year I greet you in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, giving thanks, as is first becoming and due, to the great and good Father, who has preserved us and brought us again together in annual session.

I have no vital statistics to lay before you, although it is quite certain that births, marriages and deaths have not been infrequent among us, but no detailed returns have been presented to me, and no general knowledge on the subject is at my command.

Among those who have served you in the past, and have now joined the "silent majority," we must name Past Assistant Adjutant-General Comrade Solomon Hovey, Jr., whose military service during the Rebellion was in the Twenty-first Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, where he attained the rank of lieutenant-colonel. His military record was honorable, his loyalty and devotion to his country were assured by his long and patriotic service in the field, and his true comradeship in the Grand Army of the Republic is too well known and too recent to need any words of mine to recall. He passed from earth early this winter.

The past year, as the preceding reports show in full detail, has been a remarkably prosperous one in the enlistment of recruits, the strengthening and encouragement of long existing Posts, and the organization of new Posts. Although we have, during this time, passed through a political campaign having in it some extraordinary features of excitement, every comrade it is believed has had his partisan preferences respected, and we have been able to demonstrate that, while the Grand Army of the Republic is in the best sense a political organization, pledged to uncompromising loyalty to the Union, it is in no sense partisan, nor can it be used for partisan purposes. Camp-fires, the exchange of visits among Posts, dedications of Post halls, and other occasions which have brought comrades together in fraternal counsel and cheer, have been frequent, enjoyable, and productive of great good. They have kept the memories of the past from becoming dimmed, have been the means of attracting many honorably discharged veterans into our ranks, and have made our future outlook more pleasant and hopeful.

Memorial Day, with its touching appeals to the soldier's heart, bringing back, more than all the other days in the year, the realities of life in the field, — simple in its ceremonies, but touching the tenderest chords of our being, — grows in the affectionate

appreciation of the citizens at large. We may well be grateful to the Commonwealth that it has been recognized as a day when business and labor should be suspended; but we should not forget that this very recognition of its significance exposes it to abuses, against which every comrade and every Post should sternly set its face. While it is not a day for gloom nor for hopeless sorrow, but rather for thankfulness that, through the sacrifices made by those whose "low green tents" we visit with floral offerings, our nationality has been made forever secure, and for the Christian hope of immortality, giving us assurance that consciousness of what has been accomplished is also theirs, its hours are unworthily used and sadly desecrated when employed in mere holiday sport, and especially is its beautiful significance forgotten when the soldier makes it a day of dissipation. Intemperance, which is brutal at all times, is doubly damning in its disgrace when it occurs on the day that belongs to our dead.

Our Soldiers' Home continues to be well managed, and its occupants are contented, and as happy as their physical condition will allow, there not being an able-bodied man among them, but all affected with more or less painful disabilities. Their appreciation of what is done for them is heartfelt, their confidence in and respect for the superintendent are unbounded, and their love for his excellent wife is enthusiastic. It has been my privilege to visit them several times, and I know of no institution that is better managed, whose beneficent results are more apparent, and whose claims should meet with a more prompt and hearty response. Thanks to the sisters of the Relief Corps, the Home is constantly receiving embellishments, and the wants of the men are looked after as only mothers, wives and daughters can oversee and relieve. These good sisters are in earnest in assisting the trustees in the proposed fair for the benefit of the Home, and you will not, I feel sure, fail in doing your part to make it a success.

Our National Encampment, through its Committee on Pensions, is seeking such amendments of existing pension laws as shall increase the pensions of widows, minor children, and the total or partially maimed soldier; shall create pensions for the dependent parents of the soldier who left no widow or minor children; for disabled and dependent soldiers who have reached sixty-five years of age, without requiring proof of origin of disability, and for all disabled ex-prisoners of war, without requiring proof that disability is the result of imprisonment; and shall provide an equitable equalization of bounties. That committee report that, "There are now pending over two hundred and fifty thousand pension applicants, of the eyeless, legless, armless and sick, and of the widows and orphans of comrades deceased. It is estimated that four-fifths of this list are delayed and their present adjudication prevented from the lack of testimony which the lapse of

twenty years, and the death of witnesses since the war, render unattainable." In view of these facts, my comrades, it seems to me that it is just and equitable, wise and charitable, that we throw all the weight of our associated and personal influence in obtaining the results which this committee are seeking, and that we refrain from participation in or sympathy with any movement which would hinder or embarrass this. In a recent order the Commander-in-Chief calls attention to the "Mexican Pension Bill, with amendments," now pending in Congress, as covering many of the recommendations just enumerated, and urges immediate petitioning for its passage by the House of Representatives. Let us respond promptly and heartily.

In the absence of any prescribed topics to be brought forward by the Department Chaplain in his annual report, I have reckoned on your indulgence in presenting the foregoing. In conclusion, I call your attention to a fact which we cannot too deeply ponder, as the remembrance of it will be a spur and incitement to the use of opportunity and the discharge of obligation. I allude to the fact that there is necessarily a limit to the numerical strength of our organization and also to its existence. Unlike all other associations which are worthy of enlisting our energies for their growth and efficiency, the Grand Army of the Republic cannot be made perpetual. It will terminate its existence as mortality consigns the honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the war for the preservation of the Union to the common lot of man. We can have no successors. Every year diminishes the possible number of recruits to our ranks, as it hastens the coming of our own impotence. Today, therefore, while it is called today, let us lengthen and strengthen our lines, closer clasp the bonds that unite us, renew our vows of duty, discharge our obligations, and, so caring for those who were dear to our departed comrades, receive to ourselves and be enriched by that which is greater than all else attainable by mortals, — the consciousness of the approval and blessing of Almighty God.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

RICHARD EDDY,
Department Chaplain.

On motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted to appoint a committee of five to whom may be referred the address of the Department Commander and other officers, for such action as will be necessary. The Commander appointed Comrades Charles B. Fox of Post 68; C. W. C. Rhoades of Post 26; J. W. Walker of Post 30; John L. Knight of Post 16, and H. S. Bunton of Post 121.

Moved and voted that a committee of five be appointed to receive communications from Posts and comrades and report thereon.

The Commander appointed Comrades J. P. Maxfield of Post 42; Charles F. King of Post 139; Ivory R. Allen of Post 35; Arthur Neilson of Post 2; and Darius Hadley of Post 156.

Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15 at this point arose and addressed the Commander as follows:—

At a meeting of the delegates of this Convention in favor of the Eight-Dollar Pension Bill, I was requested to present to this Convention the following motion:—

Moved, That this Department is in favor of the passage of the Lovering Bill, H.R., No. 6463, and that our delegates to the next National Encampment be instructed to so vote and act as to put the Grand Army of the Republic on record in favor of that bill.

A moment ago I was spoken to by Comrade O'Donnell of Post 2, who asked me to give way to him for a moment, in order that he might introduce a motion looking to the free discussion of this subject. I think he is opposed to me on this question, but I hope his motion will prevail.

Comrade J. H. O'Donnell of Post 2: Commander, I understand the motion introduced by Comrade Loring to be this: that the election of delegates to the National Encampment will depend greatly upon the action taken here tonight. I am, I need not say here, utterly and wholly opposed to the so-called Lovering bill. I do not believe in it in part or in whole; but I do desire and hope that the fullest and freest possible discussion will be given to it tonight, that the Commander will not entertain a motion for the previous question, or any motion that tends in any way to shut off debate, so long as any two comrades desire to debate it.

Comrade Loring then in a very able manner presented his question, and was listened to with marked attention and frequently applauded.

At this point, on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted that when the Encampment adjourn it be to meet at nine o'clock A.M., in Tremont Temple, Jan. 30, 1885.

THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS FROM POSTS AND COMRADES.

Comrade Thomas Langlan of Post 15: I have a communication which I desire to present and have referred to the proper committee, asking the Department to petition the Legislature for

a law giving cities and towns the right to lease halls to Posts of the G.A.R. in their vicinity; as they cannot do it as the law now stands.

Comrade J. L. Knight of Post 16 offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it is the voice of this Encampment that the headquarters of this Department be retained in the city of Boston

Comrade Augustus H. Wright of Post 73: I desire to ask the committee to whom communications are referred, to take in charge the communications from Post 73, submitted to the last Encampment.

The discussion upon the pension bill was then resumed; Past Department Commander Austin S. Cushman of Post 1 speaking in opposition.

Past Commander-in-Chief Geo. S. Merrill of Post 39 moved that when the discussion of this evening shall have been concluded, it shall be resumed at the morning session at ten o'clock, and that the vote be taken at eleven o'clock. After some debate the latter part of the motion in regard to the time of taking the vote was lost, and the former part of the motion was adopted.

Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42 moved that the discussion be limited to ten minutes for each speaker.

Adopted.

The discussion of the main question was again resumed, Past Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill of Post 39 and Past Department Commander J. G. B. Adams speaking against the bill, and Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch of Post 142 in its favor.

At this point, a few moments before midnight, Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66 moved that the Convention adjourn to meet at 9 A.M. tomorrow.

Before this motion was acted upon Department Junior Vice-Commander R. F. Tobin moved that a committee of five be appointed to report a list for Council of Administration.

Adopted.

The Commander appointed the following committee:—

Geo. H. Innis of Post 2; H. M. Fisher of Post 22; W. L. Robinson of Post 10; E. W. Lathrop of Post 16; P. D. Smith of Post 99.

Adjourned at 12.15.

MORNING SESSION.

TREMONT TEMPLE, Jan. 30, 1885.

The Encampment was called to order at 9.10 A.M. by Department Commander John D. Billings.

Comrade C. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that a committee of seven be appointed by the Commander to retire and nominate a list of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment, and that the committee report on printed slips, giving the names of the delegates and alternates and the Posts to which they belong.

Comrade Whitney of Post 68 seconded the motion.

Comrade Stiles of Post 5: I am in favor of the motion as made by Comrade Fox, but desire to have it understood that the list as presented by that committee is not the official list of this Encampment, and shall not work to the prejudice of any list presented by any other comrade.

Commander Billings: Every comrade who has a seat on this floor has a right to present a list of delegates, if he chooses.

The motion was then adopted.

Commander Billings appointed the following comrades as the committee: —

A. S. Buswell of Post 7; Oliver H. Downing of Post 15; George D. Stiles of Post 5; John H. O'Donnell of Post 2; E. S. Horton of Post 145; William C. Pomeroy of Post 86; Louis Stone of Post 64.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68 submitted a report for above committee, and to save time moved that the report be acted upon, section by section.

The motion was adopted.

First. That the recommendation that a committee of five be appointed by this Convention, to collate and publish the history of this Department prior to the term of Commander Hawes, be approved and the Convention provide for such committee.

Adopted.

Second. That the financial policy of the Department should not be determined by the Council of Administration, but the Council be instructed to report a plan for the consideration of the next Department Convention.

Adopted.

Third. That three hundred dollars be appropriated for the actual travelling expenses of the Department Commander, on official duties, or the Senior or Junior Vice-Commander when acting in his place; and that the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department as recommended.

Adopted.

Fourth. That the National Encampment be requested to authorize the public installation of Post officers at special meetings called for that purpose.

Fifth. That the committee indorse that portion of the Commander's address relative to the uniforming of Posts.

Adopted.

Sixth. That in the judgment of this Convention, it is inexpedient, if not illegal, to hold regular meetings of Posts upon Sunday.

Quite a discussion followed, which was participated in by Comrades Leutz of Post 21; Lee of Post 12; Department Chaplain Richard Eddy of Post 4; and Comrade Baker of Post 16.

Department Junior Vice-Commander Tobin moved as an amendment that the recommendation be referred to the delegates to the National Encampment to secure such a decision of the Encampment as shall determine the legality or illegality of holding meetings on the Sabbath.

A motion was made and adopted that the amendment be laid on the table.

Commodore Fox of Post 68 moved to take from the table so much of the report of the committee as referred to holding of Post meetings on Sunday.

Carried.

The recommendation of the committee was then adopted.

Seventh. That Posts be recommended to provide for the actual expenses of their Delegates to Department Conventions. Comrade Parsons of Post 86 moved that it be laid upon the table.

Lost, and the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

Eighth. That the committee approve that portion of the Commander's address relative to the circulation of petitions by individual Posts.

After considerable debate, the recommendation of the committee was rejected.

Ninth. That the question of lotteries at fairs of G.A.R. Posts being a purely judicial question, it is inexpedient for this Department at the present time to take action thereon.

Adopted.

Tenth. That two hundred dollars be appropriated for clerk hire for the Assistant Adjutant-General as recommended.

Adopted.

Eleventh. That the Convention approve the sentiment expressed in the Commander's address relative to the action of the G.A.R. in this Department at the recent National election.

Adopted.

Twelfth. That no recommendation is required from your committee on that portion of the Commander's address relating to pensions, it being well understood that the subject will be considered by this Convention.

Adopted.

Thirteenth. That we recommend the suggestion of the Medical Director be referred to the consideration of the Council of Administration.

Adopted.

CHAS. B. FOX,
C. W. C. RHOADES,
J. W. WALKER,
JOHN S. KNIGHT,
HENRY S. BUNTON.

Committee.

The Assistant Adjutant-General read the following despatch from Nebraska:—

BEATRICE, NEB., Jan. 29, 1885.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General,*
Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R.,
Boston.

The Department of Nebraska in Annual Encampment assembled send greetings to the comrades of Massachusetts.

E. H. PALMER,
Department Commander.

The hour having arrived for the further consideration of the eight dollars per month pension bill, the subject was debated by the following comrades.

Thomas Langlan of Post 15; Geo. A. Ordway of Post 88; Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5; Oliver H. Downing of Post 15,—speaking in favor of the bill. And John Reed of Post 56; Milton Townsend of Post 39; Department Chaplain Eddy of Post 4; Charles B. Fox of Post 68; Thomas W. Higginson of Post 56,—speaking against the bill.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows: —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 554 |
| Number present | 478 |

Divided as follows: —

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| Department officers | 10 |
| Past Department Commanders | 5 |
| Post Commanders | 146 |
| Delegates | 317 |
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| Total | 478 |

Comrade J. W. Hill of Post 12 moved that the discussion close at 12 m.

Adopted.

Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15, according to the rules of debate, claimed the privilege of closing the discussion on this question, which was granted.

The time having arrived for taking the vote, Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that the vote upon the resolution be taken by sections rising, with two tellers from opposite sides to return the vote.

Comrade Downing of Post 15 moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General call the rolls of the Posts and the Post vote.

Comrade Fairbanks called attention to the rules of order governing the Encampment, which allow any three delegates from different Posts to demand the calling of the roll.

Three delegates asked for the roll-call, and it was ordered.

Assistant Adjutant-General Monroe then called the roll, resulting in the rejection of the resolution by a vote of 213 yeas to 254 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Senior Vice-Commander J. W. Hersey.
 Medical Director James Oliver, Jr.
 Council of Administration J. Cushing Thomas.
 Past Department Commander George H. Patch.

- Post 1. Fred A. Washburn, N. H. Greene, George P. Gifford.
 Post 2. George H. Innis, Wm. F. Clarke.
 Post 3. A. M. Clark, H. D. White, George E. Dean, G. T. Fisher.

- POST 5. G. C. Neal, G. D. Stiles, J. McFarlane, J. L. Parker, H. A. Sawyer, W. H. Brown, C. H. Waitt, A. A. Davis, Chas. Lloyd, A. S. Wright, H. F. Seger, C. L. Hill, C. H. Stratton, W. J. Pike, L. O. Kirk, I. Buffington.
- POST 7. J. Wakefield, A. S. Buswell, E. B. Meehan, A. E. Perkins, G. B. Pratt, T. Churchill, D. Meehan.
- POST 8. A. P. Vaughn, C. A. Howes.
- POST 11. T. H. Haskell, J. W. Hill, I. W. Derby, Z. R. Knowles.
- POST 12. A. S. Atherton, O. Walton, R. F. Draper, W. N. Tyler, J. W. Lee.
- POST 14. N. H. Houghton, T. N. Drawbridge.
- POST 15. J. A. Keefe, E. B. Loring, Thomas Langlan, George W. Powers, O. H. Downing, W. H. H. Andrews, G. B. Hutchinson.
- POST 16. E. F. Cross, C. R. Kaplinger.
- POST 19. A. S. Atherton, J. R. Hamilton, R. Tucker, J. D. Littlehale, B. M. Merchant.
- POST 20. D. W. Snow.
- POST 21. Theo. Leutz.
- POST 23. L. W. Clarke, J. C. Littlefield, S. M. Weale.
- POST 24. G. W. Hastings.
- POST 29. H. P. Ballard.
- POST 30. Samuel Hall, J. W. Walker, E. J. Dolan, P. A. Lindsey, J. Kinnear.
- POST 32. W. J. Blake, W. S. Calif.
- POST 33. L. J. Hammond, A. P. Barrett, Thomas H. Hill.
- POST 34. Mark Heathcote, A. D. Burton.
- POST 40. S. Derby, T. Griffin.
- POST 45. C. H. Parsons, Sidney Gardner, A. C. Andrews.
- POST 46. Henry Ogden.
- POST 50. G. F. Barnes, Frank E. Farnham.
- POST 51. J. S. Cooke, C. H. Deyo.
- POST 53. C. Kenney, J. J. Bailey.
- POST 57. C. O. Welch, J. F. Capelle, J. S. Kenney.
- POST 59. W. E. Burpee.
- POST 60. W. M. Comey.
- POST 63. D. E. George, F. P. Simonds, C. P. Currier, D. W. Ricker.
- POST 66. J. S. Beck.
- POST 68. L. Moulton, Jr.
- POST 71. W. H. Abbott, J. J. Callannan, P. J. Donnelly.
- POST 72. G. W. Pratt.
- POST 74. W. B. Seavey.
- POST 75. S. L. Colley, J. Best, C. B. Carlin.
- POST 78. W. H. Gurney, J. E. Bates, A. C. Brigham.
- POST 79. O. Dalrymple, J. D. Follett, George H. Kearn.
- POST 81. B. H. Dow.
- POST 82. J. Bartlett, B. A. Phillips, J. B. Graves, Jr., J. W. Coffin.
- POST 84. C. Sanderson.
- POST 85. G. S. Marsh, F. P. Clark.
- POST 86. J. B. Parson.
- POST 87. H. A. Monk.
- POST 88. C. A. Follett, G. A. Ordway, W. P. Martin.
- POST 89. J. Hanners, J. H. Kendall, H. B. Wallis, F. A. Wallis.
- POST 92. A. J. Wilson, B. F. Sanborn.
- POST 95. P. H. Nourse, G. W. Gale.
- POST 97. A. W. Morse, M. P. Walker.
- POST 100. J. S. Tapley, J. Minnehan.
- POST 103. B. F. Tucker.
- POST 105. D. C. Haviland, H. E. Taylor.
- POST 106. T. F. Parsons, W. G. Peckham.
- POST 108. E. P. Wildes.
- POST 110. N. H. Tirrell, G. Hollis.

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| Post 114. | C. O. Roberts. |
| Post 116. | Z. Sawtelle, J. Dodwell. |
| Post 118. | P. Gardner, J. I. Adams. |
| Post 121. | G. G. Bailey, Jr., W. C. Eustis, L. B. French. |
| Post 122. | C. L. Tucker, F. I. Snell. |
| Post 123. | S. N. Gould, Charles Grey. |
| Post 124. | E. E. Edson, F. M. Kingman. |
| Post 126. | G. H. Lewis. |
| Post 128. | H. P. Boynton. |
| Post 129. | L. Gibney, W. F. Byrne. |
| Post 130. | G. R. Drake. |
| Post 134. | Benjamin Phoenix. |
| Post 135. | H. M. Ross, C. J. Nourse. |
| Post 139. | J. F. Davlin, C. F. King. |
| Post 140. | W. H. Heustis, L. A. Sawin, W. E. Jaquith. |
| Post 141. | George N. Munsell, C. H. Packard. |
| Post 142. | J. W. Kirby, G. A. Reed. |
| Post 144. | C. C. Nichols. |
| Post 145. | E. S. Horton. |
| Post 146. | G. T. Fisher. |
| Post 147. | B. R. Franklin. |
| Post 149. | D. W. Thompson, H. S. Flagg. |
| Post 150. | Jason Mann, E. L. Colson. |
| Post 154. | F. C. Hill, C. E. Bailey. |
| Post 156. | D. Hadley, R. H. Jenkins. |
| Post 158. | H. C. Joyner. |
| Post 159. | F. Shurtleff, C. H. Trash. |
| Post 160. | E. Wilber, W. H. Perkins. |
| Post 161. | C. H. Harding, M. T. Allen. |
| Post 162. | E. E. Barnard, Thomas W. Burnham. |
| Post 163. | D. P. Howard, E. L. Wheeler. |
| Post 164. | C. C. Burdett, G. H. Johnson. |
| Post 166. | J. A. Loomis. |
| Post 170. | F. Drake, G. H. Chapin. |
| Post 176. | E. D. Hutchinson, J. W. Knox. |
| | Total, 213. |

NAYS.

Department Commander John D. Billings.
 Junior Vice-Commander Richard F. Tobin.
 Chaplain Rev. Richard Eddy.
 Council of Administration W. W. Scott, John McDonough,
 Edward McKay, Charles H. Tracy.
 Assistant Adjutant-General A. C. Monroe.
 Assistant Quartermaster-General Thomas E. Barker.
 Chief Mustering Officer George H. Bonney, Jr.
 Past Department Commanders A. S. Cushman, George S.
 Merrill, J. G. B. Adams, George W. Creasey, George S. Evans.

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| Post 1. | F. C. Luce, C. T. Burgess. |
| Post 2. | Arthur Neilson, J. P. Bradley, J. H. O'Donnell. |
| Post 4. | E. C. Gould, J. E. Marshall. |
| Post 6. | D. F. Travis, Wm. Birch. |
| Post 9. | C. G. Brigham, S. O. Howe, Wm. H. Trow. |
| Post 10. | W. L. Robinson, S. F. Babbitt, J. K. Churchill, C. N. Walker, T. S. Jenks, J. E. Bigelow, H. Fairbanks, Thomas O'Gara, George A. Blunt, C. W. Putnam, J. B. Lamb, J. F. Meech. |
| Post 13. | George A. Grant, B. O. Caldwell, C. E. Tribou, S. J. Wade. |
| Post 16. | C. H. Allison, N. E. Abbott, F. L. Perry, E. W. Lathrop, N. Smith, George Smith, John Baker, J. L. Knight. |
| Post 17. | A. L. Barrett, H. W. Kidder. |

- POST 22. Joseph Hancock, Thomas Coyne, H. M. Fisher.
 POST 25. E. J. Hill.
 POST 26. J. E. Killian, C. W. C. Rhoades, William M. Olin, H. A. Wright.
 POST 27. O. B. Chaffee, F. G. Hyde.
 POST 28. J. E. Anderson, G. B. Johnson.
 POST 29. W. D. Newland, L. F. Bond.
 POST 31. A. A. Seaverns, George W. Wilder.
 POST 34. Samuel Worcester.
 POST 35. I. R. Allen, G. W. Marsh, H. T. Holmes, J. C. Loud, F. O. Barnes, J. T. Lakin, Geo. E. Hussey, H. Hinckley, D. O. Brine.
 POST 36. H. D. Durgin.
 POST 37. H. Chase, C. N. Hancock, Henry Bemis.
 POST 38. E. D. Goodell.
 POST 39. J. J. Stanley, G. H. Flagg, J. L. Lamprey, D. F. Kiley, J. E. Shepard, D. Crockett, A. W. Belcher, A. E. Holt.
 POST 40. J. P. Litch.
 POST 41. E. R. Lay, T. Mann, L. B. Walkley, C. C. Westover.
 POST 42. F. B. Peabody, M. N. Peabody, G. H. Richardson, C. H. Richardson, E. W. Thompson, H. W. Allen, J. P. Maxfield.
 POST 43. J. R. McCrillis, W. S. Frost, E. C. Marsh, J. W. Barnes.
 POST 44. A. P. Greenough, S. F. Draper.
 POST 46. J. H. Abbott, J. M. Deane, J. Corcoran, J. E. Foulds, F. McGraw.
 POST 47. W. H. Johnson, J. Jackson, Thomas M. Arnold, J. M. Davis, W. Goodrich.
 POST 48. Francis Lovejoy.
 POST 49. J. A. Mills, Thomas E. Cutter, P. H. Creasey, Luther Carter, L. G. Weston, C. J. Cutter.
 POST 53. T. A. Hills.
 POST 54. J. L. Bruce, Fred Miller.
 POST 55. George Allen.
 POST 56. D. Jewett, T. W. Higginson, J. Reed.
 POST 57. A. M. Lunt.
 POST 58. B. S. Lovell, J. M. Whitcomb, C. W. Hastings, F. A. Bicknell.
 POST 59. G. W. Rockwell.
 POST 60. W. E. Nason.
 POST 61. W. F. Sanford, R. L. Day.
 POST 62. W. A. Wetherbee, J. T. Swett, D. A. Conant.
 POST 64. William Lowrie, L. L. Stone, J. Stuart.
 POST 65. F. H. Moore.
 POST 66. S. G. Jepson, G. L. Goodale.
 POST 67. E. Sanley, R. C. Allen.
 POST 68. C. D. Stiles, C. B. Fox, E. F. Snow, H. E. Greenwood, E. C. Whitney.
 POST 70. C. F. Brown.
 POST 73. Aug. Wright, B. S. Atwood.
 POST 74. E. T. Harvell.
 POST 76. B. A. Hathaway, J. O. Brown, J. Shannon.
 POST 80. W. C. Penniman, F. W. Bullard, David Chase.
 POST 81. C. W. Smith.
 POST 83. Samuel Hollis.
 POST 86. W. C. Pomeroy, J. Keach, H. M. Abbott.
 POST 87. W. L. Gage.
 POST 90. Geo. W. Kenney, Jos. W. Haynes.
 POST 91. Seth Talbot.
 POST 93. E. F. Gillet.
 POST 94. J. Linfield.
 POST 96. Josiah Proctor, P. Sargent.
 POST 98. C. A. Gross, D. B. Lincoln.
 POST 99. G. W. Chandler, P. D. Smith.

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| POST 101. | N. E. Ladd. |
| POST 102. | G. A. Fletcher, J. W. Bradlee. |
| POST 103. | W. C. Tracy. |
| POST 104. | C. H. Wakefield, W. S. Whiton. |
| POST 107. | Chas. Upham, J. H. Smith. |
| POST 109. | E. W. Stone. |
| POST 112. | G. A. Ayling. |
| POST 113. | Aug. Sanderson, Aug. N. Sampson, J. C. Cook. |
| POST 114. | M. P. Brew. |
| POST 115. | M. P. Palmer, Thomas Gilson. |
| POST 119. | C. T. West, G. D. Harrington. |
| POST 120. | W. W. Tuttle, J. Robbins, B. F. Freeman, H. M. Potter, H. J. Davis. |
| POST 121. | H. S. Bunton. |
| POST 125. | O. L. Wood, W. F. Harrington, W. H. Chamberlin. |
| POST 126. | E. N. Jones. |
| POST 127. | E. Pendleton. |
| POST 128. | Nathaniel Shatswell. |
| POST 130. | H. A. Walker. |
| POST 131. | F. M. Lamb, Henry Bisco. |
| POST 132. | P. T. Brown. |
| POST 133. | W. H. Wade, A. W. Burton. |
| POST 136. | G. A. Brown. |
| POST 138. | C. B. Sanders, C. W. Parker. |
| POST 143. | W. E. Long, W. Y. Gross. |
| POST 144. | Henry W. Weeks, J. V. Abbott. |
| POST 145. | G. L. Jillson, M. O. Wheaton. |
| POST 147. | F. W. Sloan. |
| POST 148. | E. B. Stillings. |
| POST 152. | C. E. French, W. H. Burnham. |
| POST 153. | Levi Bostwith, G. Q. A. Bryant. |
| POST 155. | G. E. Fuller. |
| POST 157. | J. C. Madigan, N. W. Fisher. |
| POST 165. | B. A. Sawyer, Lawrence Bradford. |
| POST 166. | C. E. Ware. |
| POST 167. | E. Noyes. |
| POST 168. | Geo. W. Corey. |
| POST 169. | A. E. Pratt, Wm. Taylor. |
| POST 173. | J. H. Harrison. |
| POST 174. | A. Smedley. |
| POST 175. | H. M. Nash, H. S. Nourse. |
| POST 177. | D. M. Wilcox, J. H. Casey. |
| POST 179. | P. H. Babbitt. |
| Total, 254. | |

Comrade Downing of Post 15 moved that the Convention proceed to ballot for Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Adopted.

Comrade J. H. O'Donnell of Post 2 moved that the first ballot be informal.

Lost.

On motion of Comrade Downing of Post 15 it was voted to allow each comrade five minutes to present the names of candidates.

Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66 moved a committee of five be appointed to receive sort and count votes for Department Commander.

Commander Billings appointed as the committee, Comrades Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66; John H. O'Donnell of Post 2; Theo. Leutz of Post 21; Oliver H. Downing of Post 15; and P. H. Babbitt of Post 179.

Comrade Myron P. Walker of Post 97 presented the name of Senior Vice-Commander John W. Hersey of Post 16 for the position of Department Commander. The nomination was seconded by Comrades Flavel Shurtleff of Post 159; J. P. Maxfield of Post 42; and J. B. Parsons of Post 86.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68 presented the name of Charles O. Fellows of Post 35. The nomination was seconded by Comrade Wm. Mink of Post 125; there being no other nominations presented, the ballot for Department Commander was taken, and the committee retired.

Comrade J. P. Maxfield of Post 42, for the committee on communications from Posts, reported in favor of the adoption of the resolution from Comrade Knight of Post 16, that the Department Headquarters be retained in the city of Boston.

Adopted.

That we recommend the adoption, by this Encampment, of the resolution from John A. Andrew Post 15, requesting the Department to petition the Legislature of this Commonwealth to pass the legislation necessary to give cities and towns the right to give or lease the whole or any part of their public buildings to Posts of the G.A.R.

Adopted.

In regard to the resolution presented by H. M. Fisher of Post 22, that the comrades of this Department be instructed to draw up a petition in the name of the Department to be presented to the Legislature, that a law be enacted giving to Grand Army Posts, or detachments thereof, and all other citizens of the State, liberty to enter into any burial-place in this Commonwealth on "Memorial Day," so called, for the purpose of decorating the graves of soldiers and sailors buried therein, your committee report favorably and recommend its adoption.

After quite a long discussion, the resolution was rejected.

Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66 reported as follows, for committee on ballot for Department Commander: —

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| Whole number of votes | 416 |
| Necessary for choice | 209 |
| John W. Hersey had | 315 |
| Charles O. Fellows had | 99 |
| William H. Hart had | 2 |

And Comrade Hersey was declared elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Meehan of Post 7 moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one vote for Comrade R. F. Tobin for Senior Vice-Commander. Objection was made, and the Commander directed the committee on votes for Department Commander to receive, sort and count votes for Senior Vice-Commander. The ballot was taken, and the committee retired.

Comrade Maxfield of Post 42 moved that the communication of McPherson Post No. 73 of last year, be referred to the delegates to the National Encampment.

Adopted.

Comrade Goodale of Post 66 reported for committee as follows, on ballot for Senior Vice-Commander.

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| Whole number of votes cast | 388 |
| Necessary for choice | 195 |
| Richard F. Tobin had | 381 |
| Thomas Langlan had | 6 |
| E. B. Loring had | 1 |

Comrade Richard F. Tobin was declared elected.

Comrade Augustus H. Wright of Post 73 nominated Comrade Charles D. Nash for Junior Vice-Commander.

Comrade S. M. Weale of Post 23 nominated Comrade W. W. Scott of Post 10.

Comrade W. S. Frost of Post 43 nominated Comrade Edmund C. Whitney of Post 68.

No further nominations being made, the ballot was taken, and the committee retired.

Comrade George H. Innis of Post 2 reported as follows for the committee appointed to nominate five comrades to serve on the Council of Administration : —

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| John McDonough | Post 2, South Boston |
| Edward McKay | " 22, Milford |
| Charles H. Tracy | " 103, Chicopee |
| Horace A. Sawyer | " 5, Lynn |
| Samuel Worcester | " 34, Salem |

Comrade Patch of Post 142 moved that the chairman of the committee deposit the list as presented, and the comrades named be declared elected.

There being no objection, the list was deposited as directed, and the above comrades declared elected.

The committee on ballot for Junior Vice-Commander reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 404 |
| Necessary for a choice | 203 |
| Charles D. Nash had | 199 |
| W. W. Scott had | 138 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 67 |

There being no choice, a second ballot was ordered; Comrade Whitney thanked the comrades for their support, and withdrew his name.

The second ballot was taken, and the committee retired.

Comrade Lowd presented a resolution from Post 34 in regard to a change in the ritual, and asked to have it referred to the delegates to the National Encampment. It was so referred.

The committee on ballot for Junior Vice-Commander reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes cast | 384 |
| Necessary for a choice | 193 |
| Charles D. Nash had | 250 |
| W. W. Scott had | 124 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 10 |

Comrade Nash was declared elected Junior Vice-Commander.

Commander Billings appointed the following committee to collate the history of the Department:—

James F. Meech of Post 10, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Henry B. Peirce of Post 73, Freeman C. Luce of Post 1, Fred L. Perry of Post 16.

Comrade Richardson of Post 42 moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot for Comrade Walter H. Leighton of Post 42 for Medical Director; objection was made, and the Convention proceeded to ballot.

Comrade John W. Lee of Post 12 moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot for Comrade Richard Eddy; the present incumbent, for Department Chaplain. Comrade Eddy declined to serve another year. Comrade John W. Hersey of Post 16 moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot for Comrade E. A. Perry of Post 107 for Department Chaplain. There being no objection, the ballot was cast as directed, and Comrade Perry was declared elected.

Comrade Parsons of Post 86 moved that the Convention proceed to the election of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment. Adopted, and Convention proceeded to ballot.

Comrade Eddy of Post 4 moved that the delegates and alternates to be elected to the National Encampment be instructed to vote only for such measures touching pensions as are already referred to the Committee of the National Encampment. Quite a discussion followed, and on motion of Comrade Hill of Post 11, the subject was indefinitely postponed.

Comrade Whitney of Post 68 reported for committee on ballot for Medical Director.

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| Whole number of votes cast | 171 |
| Necessary for choice | 86 |
| Walter H. Leighton had | 115 |
| J. S. Emerson had | 14 |
| H. C. Hall had | 6 |
| Scattering | 36 |

Comrade Walter H. Leighton of Post 42 was declared elected Medical Director.

Past Department Commander Austin S. Cushman then installed Comrade John W. Hersey, Department Commander,

and Comrades Horace A. Sawyer and Samuel Worcester, of the Council of Administration.

Comrade C. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that the Council of Administration be instructed to secure for the next Annual Convention a hall which can be properly heated.

Adopted.

Comrade Patch of Post 142 moved that the thanks of the Convention be extended to the guard from Post 68, for the faithful and efficient manner in which they performed their duty.

Adopted.

Commander Billings tendered to them his personal thanks.

On motion it was unanimously voted to extend the thanks of the Convention to Commander Billings for the able and impartial manner in which he had presided over its deliberations.

Commander Billings: I am very much obliged, I assure you, my comrades, for your kind expressions. I must confess I entered upon the deliberations of this Convention with some trepidation, because I knew how easy it would be to make a mistake, or to appear to be prejudiced. I have endeavored to stand between the two parties, and if my action has met your approbation, I am amply satisfied. I lay down the responsibilities of this office, at the end of a very busy but pleasant year, and nothing will delight me more than to take my place on the floor again and be one of the rank and file.

Commander John W. Hersey announced to the Convention that headquarters would be retained at No. 12 Pemberton Square, Boston, and that he should appoint Comrade Alfred C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General.

Comrade Whitney of Post 68 reported that it would take some time to count the votes in order to give a detailed report of delegates elected to the National Encampment.

Comrade Downing of Post 15 moved that the eighteen comrades having a majority of the votes cast be reported to the Convention, if the committee were prepared to do so.

Adopted.

Comrade Whitney reported the following list: —

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

Charles O. Fellows Post 35, Chelsea

DELEGATES.

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| George H. Innis | Post | 2, South Boston |
| E. B. Loring | " | 15, Boston |
| Dennis Meehan | " | 7, Boston |
| John H. Abbot | " | 46, Fall River |
| Sidney C. Bancroft | " | 50, Peabody |
| George D. Stiles | " | 5, Lynn |
| John L. Otis | " | 86, Northampton |
| H. M. Phillips | " | 16, Springfield |
| P. Allen Lindsey | " | 30, Cambridgeport |
| George A. Marden | " | 42, Lowell |
| George G. Bailey, Jr. | " | 121, Hyde Park |
| J. C. Sullivan | " | 8, Middleboro |
| Benjamin M. Merchant | " | 19, Fitchburg |
| William L. Robinson | " | 10, Worcester |
| William H. Chamberlin | " | 125, Pittsfield |
| William H. Johnson | " | 47, Haverhill |
| Horace D. Durgin | " | 36, Arlington |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

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| William W. Scott | Post | 10, Worcester |
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ALTERNATES.

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| Joseph H. Dalton | Post | 23, East Boston |
| James Burrows, Jr. | " | 11, Charlestown |
| Austin Y. Sylvester | " | 62, Newton |
| T. C. Lucas | " | 3, Taunton |
| J. W. Joyce | " | 39, Lawrence |
| Leach Clark | " | 128, Ipswich |
| John W. Howland | " | 147, Amherst |
| J. J. Callanan | " | 71, Holyoke |
| T. W. Higginson | " | 56, Cambridge |
| H. M. Potter | " | 120, Lowell |
| Lysander Wood | " | 72, Stoughton |
| Alonzo H. Perry | " | 76, Plymouth |
| H. O. Sawyer | " | 28, West Boylston |
| W. A. Sloan | " | 37, Spencer |
| Peter Snyder | " | 79, North Adams |
| Brainard Cummings | " | 99, Andover |
| Thomas H. Hill | " | 33, Woburn |

Comrade Meech of Post 10 moved that the report of the committee be accepted, and the comrades named in the list be declared elected.

Adopted.

There being no further business, the Nineteenth Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts was declared dissolved.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

THE BANQUET.

Immediately after the adjournment of the Encampment the delegates proceeded to Faneuil Hall, where a banquet had been provided by Caterer McElroy. Every one of the more than five hundred seats at the table was occupied, and many comrades went into the galleries.

At the guest table on the platform sat Commander John D. Billings, having on his right His Excellency, Governor George D. Robinson; John W. Hersey, Department Commander-elect; Richard Eddy, D.D., Department Chaplain; Samuel Dalton, Adjutant-General of the State; A. E. Pillsbury, President of the Senate; and at his left, Paul Van der Voort of Omaha, Past Commander-in-Chief G.A.R.; Corporal James Tanner of New York, Past Department Commander of New York; J. Q. A. Brackett, Speaker of the House of Representatives; Richard F. Tobin, Department Senior Vice-Commander-elect; and other Department and Past Department officers.

When every one had satisfied his appetite, after the unusually prolonged fast of the day, cigars were lighted and the customary post-prandial exercises began. Commander Billings commenced by saying that the Convention had already heard so much from him, that he should gladly avail himself of that fact and his somewhat hoarse and wearied condition, to do nothing more than present the distinguished guests, whom they would all be glad to hear from, and that he would begin by calling upon a worthy successor of that long line of chief magistrates who had made Massachusetts illustrious, a warm friend of the soldier as well, Governor George D. Robinson.

The Governor was received with much enthusiasm, every comrade rising to his feet and cheering lustily. When the demonstration had subsided, His Excellency spoke in a most interesting manner, mingling humor with patriotic utterances in a way to hold the closest attention of his auditors. He alluded to the fact that both the Commander of the Militia of the State and the Commander of the Grand Army were from the same section, and prophesied what they would do conjointly in any emergency. He congratulated the Order upon its flourishing condition, and gave it his best wishes for the future. Later, he directed attention to the necessity of each of the regimental and battery organizations which were in the battle of Gettysburg, taking immediate action in regard to erecting its memorial shaft or tablet on that famous battle-field, as the limit of time, during which the appropriation

made by the State for that purpose was available, would expire in a few months.

John W. Hersey, the Department Commander-elect, was next presented and warmly received. He asked the hearty co-operation of every comrade present for the upbuilding of the Order. He said that while he could not expect to organize any new Posts after the country had been skimmed so clean the past year, yet that there were thousands of worthy veterans who ought to be with us, giving us their assistance. He said that, having assumed the burdens of the position so generously conferred, he would pledge his earnest efforts to prove that the confidence of his comrades had not been misplaced.

By particular request of Assistant Adjutant-General Monroe, Department Senior Vice-Commander Tobin was next introduced, and after a few remarks of a general character, addressed himself to Commander Billings; then, taking a package at that moment handed him, displayed a heavy gold watch and chain and a plush-covered album, which he presented, in behalf of the Department officers, to the retiring Commander. Comrade Billings was entirely taken by surprise, so quietly was the whole affair managed, and responded feelingly, as best he could under the circumstances. Inside the case is the following inscription: —

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
COMMANDER DEPT MASS., G.A.R.
FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OFFICERS,
JAN. 30, 1885.

The album contains autograph cards of the donors, grouped according to rank, as they are found in the roster of headquarters.

The Commander then called for three rousing cheers for Governor Robinson, who was compelled to retire at this time, which were given with a will; after which he introduced A. E. Pillsbury, Esq., President of the State Senate, who spoke in an off-hand and entertaining manner, assuring the veterans that his influence should be exerted for them at every opportunity.

Commander Billings then stated that his original intention had been to have the prominent officials of the Woman's Relief Corps present at the banquet, but that it had been thought advisable not to carry out this plan. He congratulated the comrades, however, that they were "not left to mourn as those without hope," as a most worthy member of that Order was present, who was once known as a distinguished Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, but whom he would now introduce as Sister Pauline Van der Voort, Woman's Relief Corps, of Omaha.

Comrade Van der Voort was enthusiastically received, and spoke eloquently for woman and her work. He then addressed himself with his usual fervor to other themes. Referring to the inspiration of the surroundings, he said that the people of his State would give mines of wealth to have a Faneuil Hall or a Bunker Hill in their midst. He was frequently applauded, and when he sat down was greeted with a round of cheers.

J. Q. A. Brackett, Esq., the Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, was called upon next, and like the President of the Senate, pledged the House to enact such legislation for soldiers and the Soldiers' Home as they stood in need of.

The Commander then said the Encampment was honored by the presence of a distinguished comrade from New York, a former Department Commander of that State, that legless veteran, Corporal James Tanner, whom he then presented.

Corporal Tanner was well received, but it was evident that not all of the comrades knew what a treat they had in store. It took him a little time to get warmed up, but when that time came he stirred the hearts of the veterans as they were never stirred on a like occasion before. Now he has them shouting themselves hoarse, throwing hats in air, pounding the tables at some eloquent and patriotic utterance which strikes a responsive chord; and now, in a minute's time, his tender pathos has so appealed to their hearts that half of them are fumbling for a handkerchief to dry their eyes with. Strong-hearted men weep in his presence who have not shed tears before for years. Then by the magic of his impassioned words, that well out aglow with fervor as they were from his very heart's core while he consigns the arch traitor to the hottest imaginable Hades, his auditors rush back again from the depths of pathos into which he had so completely precipitated them to a white heat of enthusiasm, which, it is believed, found expression in a frenzy of approval such as Faneuil Hall has rarely witnessed from an equal number of men. And when he finally closed, he was greeted with a tumult of applause that rocked the Cradle of Liberty with a vehemence which did that time-honored institution great credit.


Comrade George H. Patch, Past Department Commander, was called upon and made a few remarks, after which the company joined in singing "America," and then made a rush for the platform to shake the hand of Corporal Tanner.

Thus concluded the Nineteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts. Whereas it promised to be a stormy gathering on account of the strong partisan feeling which had been developed in relation to the so-called "Lovering Pension Bill," yet everything went off harmoniously and creditably to the Order. Never did the comrades linger after the banquet so long or in such numbers, and probably they were never so well repaid for their patience and virtue in so doing.

In Memoriam

- POST 1. Wm. F. Gifford, age 45; private, Co. C, 41st Mass.
 POST 2. John H. Welch, age 43; private, 5th Mass. Batty.
 POST 3. Terrence Tighe, age 47; private, Co. F, 39th Mass.
 POST 3. Charles H. Orchard, age 32; private, Co. A, 30th Mass.
 POST 3. Benj. E. Morse, age 33; 1st lieutenant, Co. C, 22d Mass.
 POST 3. Wm. H. Harlow, sergeant, Co. E, 40th Mass.
 POST 4. Isaac A. Watson, age 48; 1st sergeant, Co. G, 5th Mass. Cav.
 POST 5. William H. Smith, private, Co. F, 8th Mass. M.V.M.
 POST 5. Horace L. Aldrich, age 44; private, Co. L, 4th H.A.
 POST 5. Edgar M. Riggs, age 47; 2d lieutenant, Co. F, 35th Mass.
 POST 5. Albert T. Thurston, age 41; private, Co. B, 4th H.A.
 POST 5. Thatcher H. Swift, age 41; sergeant, Co. B, 9th V.R.C.
 POST 5. James Forsyth, age 46; private, Co. K, 12th Mass.
 POST 5. Charles Fitzgerald, age 47; private, Co. G, 2d H.A.
 POST 5. John Dolan, age 50; private, Co. A, 30th Mass.
 POST 5. James H. Hutchinson, age 42; private, Co. B, 19th Mass.
 POST 5. Lemuel Goodwin, age 35; private, Co. F, 8th Mass.
 POST 5. Stephen E. Kimball, age 35; private, Co. H, 12th M.E.
 POST 5. Henry W. Kummer, age 74; private, Co. E, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 5. Charles I. Betton, age 43; corporal, Co. L, 4th H.A.
 POST 9. Lyman F. Holyoke, age 45; private, Co. C, 32d M.V.M.
 POST 11. Joel Raymond, Jr., age 58; private, Co. H, 5th Mass. Vols.
 POST 12. John J. Kelly, age 39; private, Co. I, 19th Mass. Vols.
 POST 12. Frank B. Bancroft, age 71; private, Co. E, 16th Mass. Vols.
 POST 12. Benj. McAllister, age 62; private, Co. I, 11th Mass. Vols.
 POST 13. Chas. D. Packard, private, Co. C, 60th Mass. Vols.
 POST 15. Henry Lusoph, age 41; private, Co. G, 4th R.I. Inf.
 POST 15. Wm. J. Hickey, age 42; 1st class fireman, U.S.S. *Aroostook*.
 POST 15. Rufus King, age 39; drummer, Co. C, 23d Mass. Inf.
 POST 15. Richard F. Lyman, age 46; sergeant, Co. A, 22d Mass. Inf.
 POST 15. John J. Shea, age 39; private, Co. G, 60th Mass. Inf.
 POST 17. D. J. Gilmore, age 35; private, Co. F, 52d Mass. Vols.
 POST 19. Levi Lawrence, age 58; 1st lieutenant, Co. F, 25th Mass.; captain, Co. F, 57th Mass.
 POST 19. Fred B. Fisher, age 47; corporal, Co. C, 1st H. A.
 POST 21. Simon Trautveller, age 50; private, Co. G, 52d N.Y.
 POST 23. Jas. G. Brown, engineer, U. S. Navy.
 POST 23. John Nelson, age 62; steward, U. S. Navy.
 POST 27. Geo. H. Stevens, age 39; sergeant, Co. A, 15th Mass.
 POST 27. Francis W. Davis, age 60; private, Co. H, 15th Mass.
 POST 30. Geo. H. Copeland, age 40; lieutenant, Co. K, 38th Mass.
 POST 32. John Cook, age 36; landsman, Portsmouth.
 POST 34. Jeremiah Mahoney, age 43; corporal, Co. F, 12th U.S. Inf.
 POST 34. Daniel Desmond, age 60; private, Co. H, 48th Mass.
 POST 35. Edward Webley, age 51; private, Co. A, 61st Mass.
 POST 35. Thos. B. Campbell, age 49; private, Co. E, 4th Me.
 POST 35. Michael Keagan, age 44; private.

- Post 35. Felix Cassidy, age 58; seaman.
 Post 35. Samuel Ingalls, age 62; assistant-surgeon, 5th Mass. Cav.
 Post 35. Wm. H. Gibby, age 62; private, Co. G, 40th Mass.
 Post 35. Wm. H. Bolton, age 43; private, Co. C, 2d N.H.
 Post 35. John M. Wood, age 69; private, Co. D, 43d Mass.
 Post 37. Horace E. Prouty, age 53; corporal, Co. K, 10th Mass.
 Post 39. Wm. H. Cross, age 42; private, Co. B, 26th Mass.
 Post 39. Herman Nichols, age 42; private, Co. I, 4th N.H.
 Post 39. Albert Coan, age 48; private, Co. F, 12th Me.
 Post 39. Thomas Jones, age 39; private, Co. E, 27th Mass.
 Post 39. Charles Fish, age 42; private, Co. B, 4th Mass.
 Post 39. Dominick Dowd, age 47; private, Co. I, 17th Mass.
 Post 39. Levi Harrison, age 62; private, Co. D, 6th Mass.
 Post 40. Daniel Sullivan, age 38; seaman, U.S.S. *Malvern*.
 Post 42. Owen Tully, age 56; private, Co. G, 4th N.H.
 Post 43. Decatur McCarter, age 43; private, 10th N.H.
 Post 45. Chas. P. Mann, age 51; corporal, Co. E, 20th Me.
 Post 47. Chas. A. Rand, age 31; 1st lieutenant, 20th Mass.
 Post 47. Chas. H. Hardy, age 37; private, Co. D, 14th N.H.
 Post 47. Merrill O. Luce, age 36; sergeant, Co. B, 13th Vt.
 Post 47. Nathaniel W. Perkins, age 47; private, Co. B, 1st N.H.
 Post 47. Martin Corson, age 45; private, Co. A, 4th N.H.
 Post 49. John D. Parsons, age 59; private, Co. I, 23d Mass.
 Post 50. Samuel Davis, age 48; corporal, Co. B, 40th Mass.
 Post 50. Charles H. Collins, age 35; private, Co. A, 23d Mass.
 Post 50. Daniel A. Caskins, age 37; private, Co. I, 6th Mass.
 Post 50. Frank Duffy, age 49; private, 5th Mass. Batty.
 Post 53. Wm. C. Damon, age 69; private, Co. G, 3d R.I.H.A.
 Post 53. Loren L. Moore, age 52; musician, 1st Mass.
 Post 56. Jas. E. Burrows, age 40; corporal, Co. D, 38th Mass.
 Post 56. Chas. Z. Sears, age 71; seaman, U.S. Navy.
 Post 56. J. Warren Cotton, lieutenant, 88th U.S.I.
 Post 58. Wm. L. Cummings, age 52; private, Co. D, 4th Mass. Cav.
 Post 58. Thos. Derby, Jr., age 60; sergeant, Co. A, 46th Mass.
 Post 58. Patrick Tracy, age 49; private, Co. G, 4th Mass. H.A.
 Post 58. Albert Bates, age 55; private, Co. H, 12th Mass.
 Post 58. Joshua L. Torrey, age 48; private, Co. A, 1st Mass. Cav.
 Post 58. Owen Corr, age 50; private, Co. C, 28th Mass.
 Post 60. Joseph Grant, age 45; private, Co. F, 12th R.I.
 Post 63. Nathan Jones, age 55; private, Co. I, 39th Mass.
 Post 68. David P. O'Reilley, age 44; private, Co. E, 1st R.I. Art.
 Post 68. Robert Bishop, age 36; private, Co. A, 1st Heavy Art.
 Post 68. Robert A. Miller, age 45; 1st lieutenant, Co. B, 9th Mass.
 Post 72. Andrew J. Keene, age 55; private, Co. I, 1st Mass. Cav.
 Post 73. Lorenzo Williamson, age 51; private, Co. K, 7th Mass.
 Post 74. Isaac R. Harrington, age 65; private, Co. A, 60th Mass.
 Post 74. Howard A. Wheeler, age 36; private, Co. E, 4th Mass.
 Post 74. John Burrill, age 51; corporal, Co. G, 43d Mass.; private, Co. E, 2d Heavy Art.
 Post 78. Joshua Cook, age 47; private, Co. D, 38th Mass.
 Post 82. Daniel Dailey, private, Co. G, 19th Mass.
 Post 86. I. H. Wentworth, age 40; private, 30th Unattached H.A.
 Post 86. John Regan, age 63; farrier, Co. G, 3d N.Y. Cav.
 Post 86. Chas. H. Daniels, age 42; private, Co. C, 10th Mass.
 Post 86. John A. Prentiss, age 53; sergeant, Co. A, 51st Mass.
 Post 87. Wm. Miller, age 58; private, Co. K, 2d Mass. Batty.
 Post 89. Henry P. Woodbury, age 48; captain, Co. F, 23d Mass.
 Post 89. Henry P. Lascom, age 46; private, Co. E, 8th Mass.
 Post 89. Maurice B. M. Younger, age 42; private, Co. G, 17th Mass.
 Post 89. Wm. H. Rich, age 40; private, Co. L, 4th Heavy Art.
 Post 90. Freeman A. Chase, age 44; private, Co. D, 8th N.H. Inf.

- POST 94. Nelson S. White, age 44; private, Co. A, 4th Mass.
sergeant, Co. A, 24th Mass.
captain, 31st U. S. Col. Inf.
- POST 100. John Q. A. Kelley, age 55; private, Co. C, 9th N.H.
- POST 101. Wm. G. Eaton, age 65; private, Co. A, 33d Mass.
- POST 102. Chas. Bronsdon, age 49; private, Co. I, 38th Mass.
- POST 103. B. W. Keyes, age 44; private, Co. I, 121st Ohio.
- POST 105. Chas. E. Brookes, age 52; private, Co. I, 51st Mass.
- POST 113. Solomon Horey, Jr., age 47; lieutenant-colonel, 21st Mass.
Inf.
- POST 115. Abbott M. Messer, age 37; private, Co. B, 26th Mass.
- POST 128. Henry Haskell, age 41; private, Co. L, 1st Heavy Art.
- POST 130. Alexander H. Mullen, age 32; private, Co. E, 3d Mass. Cav.
- POST 139. Patrick O'Donnell, age 43; private, Co. I, 19th Mass.
- POST 139. Joseph Bush, age 57; major, 25th U.S. Inf.
- POST 139. John Montague, age 54; private, 3d Mass. Batty.
- POST 140. Paul Tatro, age 37; private, Co. G, 34th Mass.
- POST 141. John W. Nickerson, age 62; private, Co. B, 9th New York.
- POST 149. Michael Kelly, age 34; musician, Co. H, 59th Mass. -
- POST 156. Benj. F. Noyes, age 52; captain, Co. D, 48th Mass.
- POST 157. Henry Barlow, age 57; private, Co. C, 3d R.I. H. Art.
- POST 158. James S. Young, age 41; private, Co. F, 49th Mass.
- POST 158. Albert B. French, age 41; private, Co. C, 37th Mass.
- POST 159. Thomas Garvey, age 42; seaman, U.S.S. *Saratoga*.
- POST 160. Patrick G. Dillon, age 42; sergeant, Co. D, 3d Mass. Cav.
- POST 166. William A. Judd, age 45; private, Co. E, 43d Mass.
- POST 170. Ethan E. Cobb, age 57; lieutenant, Frontier Cav.
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GENERAL ORDERS.

SERIES OF 1884-85.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

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 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Feb. 5, 1884.

Comrades: By the almost unanimous vote of your representatives I have been called to the highest office in your gift. Its duties I hereby assume. Such unanimity I must interpret as the expression of your intention to co-operate with me most heartily in the year which is before us. With such an inspiring prestige of success I gladly take up the work where my predecessor has left it. Let us direct our efforts anew to the strengthening of our beloved Order. Let us make all of our Posts so strong and attractive that no veteran, whatever his former rank or present social station, can consistently withhold his membership and influence longer from the grand cause in which we have labored so continuously and with such gratifying success.

Comrades, our Department never stood so strongly in all respects as it stands today, and we are still on the upward wave. The number of veterans yet lingering outside warrants the sanguine opinion that we shall attain a strength of 25,000 comrades at no distant day. Why not? There must be at least 40,000 men among us eligible to join the Order. What soldier or sailor, having an honorable war record and now a worthy citizen, can offer a justifiable cause for not actively engaging in that work which is as much his heritage and duty as our own?

If there exist any such cause anywhere, see to it that it is speedily removed, so that this Grand Army of ours shall constitute an order of American nobility whose work and worth shall stand, the wonder and delight of future generations.

The following comrades have been appointed members of my Official Staff. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Assistant Adjutant-General, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

Assistant Quartermaster-General, Thomas E. Barker of Post 40, Malden.

Inspector, Samuel A. Cushing, Jr., of Post 68, Dorchester.

Judge Advocate, John H. Hardy of Post 36, Arlington.

Chief Mustering Officer, George H. Bonney, Jr., of Post 154, Kingston.

Headquarters of the Department will be at 12 Pemberton Square as heretofore, to which all official correspondence should be directed.

To insure speedy delivery, all personal correspondence intended for the Commander should be addressed to him at Cambridgeport.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE PUBLIC,
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No 2. }

BOSTON, March 11, 1884.

I. The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| A. A. Harrington . . . Canton. | John H. Abbott . . . Fall River. |
| Justin B. Willard . . . Worcester. | E. P. Morton . . . Webster. |
| David Dunbar . . . East Weymouth. | W. A. Wetherbee . . . Newton. |
| John S. Beck . . . Medford. | Lysander Wood . . . Stoughton. |
| S. Wells Hunt . . . Sandwich. | Alonzo Perry . . . Plymouth. |
| Fred. A. Washburn . . . New Bedford. | Peter Snyder . . . North Adams. |
| Dennis Linehan . . . Boston. | W. C. Pomeroy . . . Northampton. |
| John L. Parker . . . Lynn. | Wm. L. Gage . . . South Braintree. |
| B. Read Wales . . . Dorchester. | F. M. Harrington . . . Northboro. |
| E. B. Meehan . . . Boston. | E. Warren Harback . . . Upton. |
| Alvin R. Bailey . . . Charlestown. | H. N. Harriman . . . Georgetown. |
| Charles Fay . . . Springfield. | John H. Gould . . . Medfield. |
| R. W. Rand . . . Orange. | Chas. F. Urann . . . Lowell. |
| Chas. H. Wyman . . . Fitchburg. | Chas. B. Tucker . . . Amesbury. |
| Lyman W. Clark . . . East Boston. | Robert B. Dickie . . . Lanesboro. |
| C. W. C. Rhoades . . . Roxbury. | Darius Hadley . . . Everett. |
| Horace J. Gray . . . Cambridgeport. | H. A. Cushman . . . Taunton. |
| A. A. Seaverns . . . North Scituate. | Ernest Wagner . . . Methuen. |
| Samuel Worcester . . . Salem. | E. T. Harvell . . . Rockland. |
| Wm. H. Matthews . . . Woburn. | S. T. Chamberlain . . . South Gardner. |
| Jeremiah Norris . . . Chelsea. | John E. McClellan . . . Saunderville. |
| Chas. H. Clark . . . Westfield. | Leach Clark . . . Ipswich. |
| S. F. Draper . . . Fayville. | Wm. H. Coan . . . Lawrence. |

II. It will be impossible to assure Posts the attendance of Department officers at camp-fires, fairs, etc., unless they at first confer with these headquarters before making their arrangements, as engagements are often made several weeks in advance.

III. Requisition blanks containing a corrected price list of articles furnished by these headquarters is hereby forwarded. Orders for badges that may be required for Memorial Day should be sent at an early date, in order that a supply may be obtained.

IV. I would call attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of the Adjutant in making out his report, due April 1, to include in his report of those lost during the quarter by death, not only the name of the comrade, but the company and regiment in which he served; those whose service was in the navy give name of ship, squadron and station, in order to properly carry out the recommendation in regard to a Memorial page that was unanimously adopted by the Department Encampment.

V. The address is wanted at this office of Capt. Chauncy O. Noyes, Company D, 3d Maine Infantry, and of Helon Brooks, same company and regiment; any shipmate who served on board United States Steamer *Lenapee* from 1864 to 1866; any officers of United States Steamer *Penguin* during July and August, 1865; Sergt. Timothy Casey, Company K, 2d Mass. Infantry; Geo. R. Phillips, Company D, 2d Mass. Infantry; any member of Company F, 2d Mass. H.A.; Capt. Chas. H. Smith, 32d Mass. Infantry; any member of Company A, 20th Mass. Infantry.

VI. The following Posts have been organized in addition to those hitherto reported:—

WOBURN POST 161, Woburn, George Perkins, Commander.

MANTON TAFT POST 162, Turners Falls, Edward Barnard, Commander.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

JOHN D. BILLINGS,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ. ROOM 6 }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 3. }

BOSTON, March 31, 1884.

I. An inspection of all the Posts in this Department having been ordered from National Headquarters, the annual spring visitation had for the past two years will be dispensed with, and the inspection ordered by the Commander-in-Chief substituted for it. Post Commanders will govern themselves accordingly.

II. The increased number of appointments on the personal Staff is designed in part to relieve the elected officers of the Department from inspection duties, but so far as possible it is hoped that they will interest themselves in the welfare of the Order in their immediate vicinity and accompany the Assistant Inspector when it is convenient.

III. Comrade John L. Parker of Post 5 having felt compelled to resign his position as Aide-de-Camp, the same is hereby accepted, and Comrade Hubert O. Moore of the same Post is appointed in his stead.

IV. The following Aides-de-Camp are hereby detailed to act as Assistant Inspectors, and are assigned for duty by the Department Inspector to the several Posts as follows:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| A. A. Harrington | 72, 91, 117, 121 |
| Justin B. Willard | 27, 34, 51, 131, 136 |
| David Dunbar | 74, 87, 88, 124 |
| John S. Beck | 4, 33, 75, 115, 160 |
| S. Wells Hunt | 141 |
| Fred A. Washburn | 3, 132, 136 |
| Dennis Linehan | 11, 30, 35, 156 |
| Hubert O. Moore | 23, 50, 67, 82 |
| B. Read Wales | 10, 57, 113, 159 |
| E. B. Meehan | 21, 32, 92, 102 |
| Alvin R. Bailey | 29, 62, 63 |
| Chas. Fay | 71, 85, 97, 107, 155 |
| R. W. Rand | 123, 140, 150, 162 |
| Chas. H. Wyman | 28, 53, 59, 69, 116 |
| Lyman W. Clark | 2, 15, 26 |
| C. W. C. Rhoades | 7, 56, 68, 139 |
| Horace J. Gray | 36, 66, 81, 134, 161 |
| A. A. Seaverns | 76, 83, 104 |
| Samuel Worcester | 89, 90, 128 |
| Wm. H. Matthews | 12, 40, 119, 148 |
| Jeremiah Norris | 34, 78, 143, 149 |
| Chas. H. Clark | 84, 86, 103 |
| S. F. Draper | 6, 38, 43, 54, 142 |
| John H. Abbott | 1, 8 |
| E. P. Morton | 25, 70, 129, 137 |
| W. A. Wetherbee | 80, 110, 144 |
| Lysander Wood | 13, 52 |
| Alonzo H. Perry | 111, 127, 154 |
| Peter Snyder | 20, 93 |
| W. C. Pomeroy | 16, 41, 125, 147 |
| Wm. L. Gage | 58, 73, 94 |
| F. M. Harrington | 9, 19, 44, 64 |
| E. Warren Harback | 14, 18, 22, 24 |
| H. N. Harriman | 49, 101, 122, 151 |
| John H. Gould | 60, 61, 130, 157 |

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| Chas. F. Urann | 39, 48, 100, 138 |
| Chas. L. Tucker | 108, 114 |
| Robert B. Dickie | 79, 126, 158 |
| Darius Hadley | 47, 95, 118 |
| H. A. Cushman | 46, 133, 145 |
| Ernest Wagner | 42, 99 |
| E. T. Harvell | 31, 98, 112 |
| S. T. Chamberlin | 17, 28, 77, 109, 153, |
| John E. McClellan | 65, 105, 135 |
| Leach Clark | 45, 96, 106, 152 |
| Wm. H. Coan | 5, 120 |

V. As this Department is acknowledged to lead all others in thoroughness and efficiency in the work of the Order, Post Commanders are especially enjoined to welcome and facilitate the most thorough inspection, to the end that our advanced standing may not only be maintained but improved upon, and Assistant Inspectors are expected to give complete and accurate information on all points where it seems needed.

VI. Many of the Posts own a complete set of equipments for Post officers. All of the other Posts should follow this example; for while there is no objection to an officer providing his own, it ought not to be required of him. Posts owe it to themselves to see that the humblest comrade in their ranks shall not be debarred from accepting its highest official honors by reason of a proper pride or limited means. It is earnestly hoped that this matter will at once receive serious consideration by the Posts interested. Such equipments may be had through these headquarters, if desired, by addressing the Assistant Adjutant-General.

VII. The following new Post has been organized since last General Orders, viz.:—

GEN. J. G. FOSTER POST 163, Chas. H. Fuller, Commander.

VIII. The address is wanted at this office of Capt. Joseph Parsons, Co. L, 3d Mass. H. A.; Lieut. James E. March, 32d Mass. Infantry; Dr. Charles E. Warren, surgeon, 97th U.S.C.T.; Samuel Beals, Co. A, 1st Battalion Mass. H. A.

IX General Orders, Nos. 8 and 9, from National Headquarters are hereby promulgated.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6 }
BOSTON, May 3, 1884.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

In obedience to Rules and Regulations and in conformity with General Orders, No. 10, from National Headquarters, Friday, May 30, will be observed by the comrades of this Department as Memorial Day.

This is the day of all the year most hallowed to us; the day on which we gladly leave the routine of our daily avocations and illustrate again our loyalty to the memory of our deceased comrades, by gathering at the "Bivouacs of the Dead," and standing over the heroic dust of the men whose unselfish patriotism and devotion to principle kept this people a nation and enforced the decree of freedom issued by the sainted Lincoln, perform the sadly pleasant duties of decoration peculiar to our Order.

On that day let every place of business be closed. Let every one of the more than fifteen thousand veterans now included in our membership be found in the ranks. Let the twice fifteen thousand soldiers and sailors, who have not yet found it in their hearts to ally themselves with us and assume their share of the burden which we are bearing for them, give us at least the encouragement of their participation in the commemorative services of the day. Let the merchant and manufacturer, who owe so much to the veterans of the Rebellion, attest their personal interest by their presence. Let every class of citizens swell the procession as it takes its way to the cemetery. The presence of woman need not be bespoken. She is always there. She who is yet the faithful and devoted auxiliary of the soldier living, has ever done her full part toward keeping his memory a continued living presence for good before the world. Let the children of all ages be there and learn anew the lessons of patriotism, which no other day in the year can teach and emphasize so effectively.

It matters not if the strains of martial music are wholly wanting to the occasion; it matters not if costly floral decorations cannot be obtained; even the absence of the graceful orator and his classic eloquence cannot materially impair the beauty and harmony of the day. The simple presence of the veteran bending over the grave of a former comrade, to plant a flag or drop a blossom, while childhood looks on in wonder, manhood in sympathy and approval, and womanhood and old age are moved to tears, furnishes a scene far more impressive than the most enchanting music, and far more eloquent than speech.

A few Posts in this Department have made a practice of decorating the graves of veterans in previous wars. The practice is a good one for general adoption, it being only an extension of the sentiment embodied in our services, so as to include the memory of the patriots who have preceded our late comrades.

Post Commanders are hereby requested to make arrangements for services at some place of public worship on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day, in accordance with the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief.

Full reports of the proceedings of the day will be forwarded to these headquarters as soon as practicable after the 30th, and it is suggested that Post Commanders consult their own convenience by arranging with their local papers to make such reports accurate and complete.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5 }

BOSTON, June 23, 1884.

I It is proposed to show the condition of the various Departments at the next Annual Encampment, which meets at Minneapolis, July 23. The Department of Massachusetts has a reputation at National Headquarters for promptness and completeness of quarterly returns unequalled by any other. That reputation we must sustain. The Adjutant-General of the Order asks for the report of this Department before July 12, but to assure that he shall have it, reports of Posts must reach these headquarters not later than July 5. Post officers, who are prone to be tardy,

will make a note of this. Your delay will be our disgrace. Let there not be one report wanting on the date specified. Our colors are now at the front; keep them there. We have earned the position. Remember, not later than July 5.

II Comrades, the close of this, the second quarter, finds us still in a thriving condition. Five new Posts have been organized since February 1; two more are awaiting organization, and petitions are out from which four others are confidently expected ere the close of the next quarter. Meanwhile many of the old Posts have been making large additions to their membership, and the exercises of Memorial Day, it is believed, have never enlisted the participation of so large a portion of the public as was the case the current year — an omen in which we should take a just pride

Let the forward movement continue Let us make the Order so strong that no respectable veteran can stay out of it, and no disreputable veteran get in, and thereby not only continue to deserve, but to increase the public respect and confidence now so generally accorded us

III The following new Posts, not heretofore reported, have been organized, viz. :—

FRANCIS A. CLARY POST 164, Conway, G. H. Johnson, Commander.

WILLIAM WADSWORTH POST 165, Duxbury, Benj. A. Sawyer, Commander.

GEO. C. STRONG POST 166, Easthampton, Justus Lyman, Commander.

JESSE L. RENO POST 167, Whitinsville, H. F. Taft, Commander.

IV. I would again call the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of the Adjutant, in making out his report for second quarter, ending June 30, to include in his report the company and regiment, name of ship, squadron and station of those lost by death.

V The address is wanted at this office of Lieutenants Ford, Russ and Morse, and George Edwards, Company B, 31st Mass. Infantry Any officer or member of Company B, 18th Mass. Infantry; any member of Company G, 1st Mass. Cavalry; any man who served on U.S. Steamer *Potomaska* from August, 1864, to June, 1865; Capt. Leonard Gordon, Company E, 3d Mass. H.A.; any member of Company M, 1st Mass. Cavalry, who knew Nathaniel T. Myers; any member of Company A, 19th Mass., who knew Oscar Rabethge; any member of Company K, 13th New York H.A., who served on gunboat *Reno*; Capt. C. A. Dolan, Company D, 35th Mass.; any member of Company H, 2d California Cavalry.

VI The findings and sentence of the court-martial of George W. Cole of Post 35, Chelsea, and George T. Evans of Post 7, Boston, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,

Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
12 PEMBERTON Sq., ROOM 6 }
BOSTON, July 15, 1884.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No 6. }

I The National Encampment G.A.R. will convene at Minneapolis the 23d inst A full delegation is expected to attend from this Department, leaving Boston via the Fitchburg Railroad on Friday the 18th

inst., at six P M. From the 19th to the 25th inclusive, headquarters will be closed for repairs. The Assistant Adjutant-General will not return until August 4, and all correspondence requiring immediate attention should therefore be deferred until that date; but an office boy will be in attendance on and after the 26th to answer the ordinary routine wants of Posts.

It is to be regretted that all of the Posts in the Department did not respond to the appeal for prompt quarterly returns, a large number not arriving till after the 5th, and Posts No. 60, 64, 127, 137, 145 and 150 not being received in season to include in the consolidated returns sent to National Headquarters. Where the Adjutant or Quartermaster is prone to be tardy in making his reports, the Post Commander should give the matter his personal attention. From the Posts whose reports have been received, however, a total net gain of nine hundred and fifty members is reported for the quarter just ended, a showing in which every comrade must be interested.

II. The regular meetings of Friedrich Hecker Post 21 of Boston will be held in Wadman Hall, No. 176 Tremont Street, on the second and fourth Wednesday.

III. The following new Post has been organized since last General Orders: Post No. 168, Southbridge, G. W. Corey, Commander.

IV. The address is wanted at this office of John M. Foster, hospital steward, 5th Regiment Mass., nine months.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7. }

BOSTON, Sept. 3, 1884.

I. The annual address of Past Commander-in-Chief Beath shows a net gain in membership of over 7,400 comrades. Of this number the Department of Massachusetts contributed fully its proportionate part, and it gives me great pleasure to announce that the interest still continues. Even this quarter, usually the quietest in the year, will show a creditable gain. Much of this will come from new Posts, six of which have been organized in less than six consecutive weeks, with others soon to follow.

The following are the new Posts referred to and not hitherto reported:—Post 169 of Norwood, Post 170 of Mansfield, Post 171 of Northfield, Post 172 of Bolton, Post 173 of Sturbridge, Post 174 of Greenfield.

II. Comrades, we are passing through a critical period in the history of the Order. Temptations to drag it into politics allure too frequently and potently. Already Posts have been charged with perverting it to partisan purposes. Any Post or Department which permits this disloyalty to the Order deserves the rebuke which must surely follow. While it is settled beyond all cavil that the veteran surrenders none of his rights as a citizen when he joins the Grand Army, yet it must be clearly understood, on the other hand, that a Post, *as such*, knows neither candidate nor party. It would be idle, and time worse than wasted, to attempt answers to all the criticisms and sneers

addressed to us, but judicious leadership should keep Posts from taking even equivocal positions, especially during a political canvass.

III. Comrade Sydney Sibley of Post 19 is hereby appointed Aide-de-Camp on my personal Staff, *vice* Wyman resigned. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly. This appointment was conferred some time since, but was overlooked in preparing General Orders.

IV. I take great pleasure in expressing my satisfaction with the invaluable assistance rendered many of our Posts the current year by the various Woman's Relief Corps, which are auxiliary to them. I believe them deserving of our full recognition and support. Post officers desiring to establish such Corps can obtain definite and complete information by addressing the Department President of the Order, Mrs. M. Susie Goodale, Medford, Mass.

V. The address is wanted at this office of some member of Company C, 11th Conn.; some one who served on board the United States sloop *Wachusett*; the captain of the 6th Mass. Battery, in 1862, or some member of said Battery; Capt. John Rock, Company F, 22d Mass. Infantry; Sergeant Cogan, in charge of General Hospital at Newbern, N.C., in 1864.

VI. Comrades are hereby notified to look out for a man by the name of Daniel W. Ford, claiming membership in Posts 11 and 149. He does not belong to either Post, and is pronounced a beat. Also look out for a man by the name of Selden L. Taylor, claiming to belong to Cutler Post 48, Togus, Maine. The Commander of said Post informs these headquarters that he also is a first-class fraud.

VII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Charles W. Sears and Edward W. Doten of General Lander Post, No. 5, Lynn, and Adrian D. Ruggles, of James H. Sargent Post, No. 130, Medway, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,

Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 8. }

BOSTON, Oct. 1, 1884.

I. The regular fall inspections of this Department will occur as usual. A form for this purpose will immediately be issued by the Inspector, who by special instructions is required to see that no Post is inspected before October 15, and that all reports of Assistant Inspectors are at these headquarters on or before December 1. Post Commanders will do what they can to facilitate the work of inspection to prevent delay. This promptness is necessary to allow the Inspector ample opportunity to consolidate the reports.

II. In accordance with a suggestion made in General Orders, No. 3, promulgated from these headquarters March 31, many additional Posts provided themselves with a set of arms for Post officers. There is now not a very large number without them. Will not these make a special effort to equip themselves ere the year closes? Where the Post cannot afford to defray the expense, it is believed the community will subscribe for such an object if solicited. At all events, no comrade should feel obliged to decline any office because he cannot afford to equip himself.

III. By request of the Department Inspector, the following additional assignment of Posts to be inspected is made:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| Dennis Linehan | 163 |
| W. C. Pomeroy | 164, 166 |
| Alonzo H. Perry | 165 |
| John E. McClellan | 167, 173 |
| E. P. Morton | 168 |
| A. A. Harrington | 169 |
| Lysander Wood | 170 |
| R. W. Rand | 171 |
| F. M. Harrington | 172 |
| Charles Fay | 174 |
| Sydney Sibley | 175 |
| S. Wells Hunt | 55 |

IV. The reports for the third quarter are now due. A large majority of these reach headquarters within ten days. Cannot the officers of the other Posts see that theirs arrive within the same time? A few days' delay of a report may seem a trifling matter to a Post Commander or an Adjutant, but it is a serious hindrance to the Assistant Adjutant-General, who must keep all other reports awaiting its arrival ere he can send his consolidated returns to National Headquarters.

I desire to call attention to some of the errors made in reports. The most frequent one made is a misstatement of the balance on hand in last report. If the Quartermaster would look at his last report, a copy of which should be on file, this error would not occur. Again, the Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports do not agree as to the number in good standing. This can be avoided by comparing them. The two reports with the *per capita* tax should be forwarded at the same time and never singly.

V. The charter of Post 55 of Taunton is hereby revoked, and that number is assigned to a new Post at Provincetown.

VI. In the last General Orders from these headquarters the second line of the first paragraph should read, "a net gain of over 74,000 comrades," instead of 7,400.

VII. The following new Posts have been organized since the last Order was issued:—

WASHBURN POST 175, Lancaster, H. M. Nash, Commander.

J. C. FREEMAN POST 55, Provincetown, Geo. H. Nickerson, Commander.

VIII. Comrades, we are entering on the last quarter of the year. Let us make it a profitable one to the Order. Let us use all honorable means to increase the respect for and confidence in us now entertained by the people. If they remain as true to us as we were and are to them, we shall never need for a dollar with which to discharge our charitable obligations.

Again, the interest in the Grand Army was never so great as now. Let us avail ourselves of it to enlarge our membership, warmly inviting those whose pride restrains them from coming forward at this late day. Urge no veteran unduly to join, for the favor is on his side, not yours; and seek no veteran's membership whose record in military or civil life may be a reproach to the Order. His room is better than his money. Such men have in years gone by kept away hundreds whose presence would have been alike honorable to them and creditable to us. Many of these latter are coming in now. Let us give them, even at this eleventh hour, a comrade's welcome.

IX. The address of the Commander-in-Chief, with the report of the Committee on Pensions and the Council of Administration, which were presented to the last National Encampment and adopted, has been sent to the Commanders of the Posts in the Department.

X The address is wanted at this office of Lieut. W. H. Hayden, 1st Mass Heavy Artillery; some member of Company K, 11th Mass., who knew John Long of said company; some member of Company K, 4th U.S. Artillery; some member of Company I, 16th Mass. Infantry, who knew John Gastner.

XI. General Orders, Nos. 3, 4, and 5, from National Headquarters are hereby promulgated.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 9. }

BOSTON, Nov 28, 1884.

I. *Comrades*: As my official year draws to its close, I desire to call the attention of Posts to their suspended membership. The reports for the third quarter showed a suspended list of six hundred and seventy-seven comrades. I have no desire to bequeath any such legacy as this to my successor in office, and therefore urge the comrades to see that no worthy member is allowed to remain on this list. Many of our Posts, both large and small, have no suspended list, although complying strictly with Rules and Regulations. This is largely due to the excellent management of the Quartermaster, aided by the comrades of the Post, who oftentimes know nothing about the number of members suspended. I would not have a single unworthy or disaffected veteran carried by the Order in contravention of the Rules; yet on the other hand no comrade should be subjected to the annoyance of being dropped or suspended, because by being engrossed in active business he has inadvertently allowed his membership to lapse. Let us better this state of things, and reduce our suspended list the current quarter to a minimum.

II I regret to report Posts 20, 92, 116, 129, 137, 157, 164, 167, 170, as not having sent in their last quarterly returns on time. It is hoped that the Commanders of these Posts will make a special effort to be prompt with their returns for this the final quarter, so as to facilitate the making up of the annual reports to be presented to the Department Encampment.

III. The following new Posts have been organized since the last order from these headquarters:—

GEN. HORACE C. LEE POST 176, Huntington, E. D. Hutchinson, Commander.

SCOTT BRADLEY POST 177, Lee, D. M. Wilcox, Commander.

IV. A Ten-cent Fund has been established by the Woman's Relief Corps, in aid of Anna Ella Carroll, who "spent health, strength and fortune in services rendered the government in the prosecution of the war." She is now old, broken-down and destitute. Comrades or their friends desiring to contribute their mite to so worthy and deserving an object, will forward it to Mrs. Abbie M. Gannett, Malden, Mass., who will properly account for all such sums.

V. Sickness having compelled the resignations of Aides-de-Camp S. T. Chamberlin and John H. Gould, they are hereby accepted.

Comrade Charles H. Fuller of Post 163 is hereby appointed Aide-de-Camp on my personal Staff. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

VI. The Department Inspector is hereby instructed to make such details from the Staff as in his judgment seem advisable, to complete the inspection where previous details have, from any cause, failed to perform the duty assigned them.

VII. Particular attention is directed to the election of delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment. This election must be held at the first regular meeting in December. The ratio of representation is as follows: One delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing at the end of the third quarter, ending September 30, with an additional delegate and alternate for the fraction when it is more than one-half that number. But every Post, whatever its membership, is entitled to one delegate. (See Rules and Regulations, Chap. III, Art. II.) Blank credentials have been forwarded on which to make returns. One copy only will be sent to these headquarters.

VIII. Comrades, one full month remains in which to swell the net increase for this Grand Army year. We can show a gain of 2,500 worthy veterans if each Post of less than seventy-five members shall muster at least two more recruits, and larger Posts a proportionate number. Let us do this, and the close of another year will see this Department 20,000 strong.

IX. The address is wanted at this office of Capt. B. F. Josselyn, 11th Mass. Infantry; Capt. W. Irving Allen, 31st Mass. Infantry; any member of Company E, 28th Mass. Infantry, from December, 1861, to December, 1862; a member of Company A, 3d Mass. Cavalry, who knew George Molloy; any member of the United States marines on board ship *Colorado*, who knew Eben D. Blake; John Instone, Company K, 58th Mass. Infantry; any and all ex-officers United States Navy; Dennis Linehan and Michael Murphy, Company F, 1st Mass. Cavalry.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,)
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,)
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6.)

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 10. }

BOSTON, Dec. 10, 1884.

I. *Comrades*: By Rules and Regulations it is provided that Post officers shall be installed into their respective offices at the first stated meeting in January. Posts desiring the services of a particular comrade for this purpose will first secure his consent to perform the duty, and then at once notify these headquarters of their choice, when he will be detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer. The details thus made will be reported in the next General Order. Do not delay, but act in the matter at once. Your wishes should be known here not later than the 27th inst. The expenses of the installing officer should be borne by the Post, but it is suggested that both time and expense may be saved the Post by securing the services of the Senior Past Post Commander to act as mustering officer.

II. Post 178, Otis, Warren O. Hawley, Commander, has been organized since last General Orders.

III. The Trustees of the Soldiers' Home request the Adjutant of each Post to send to these headquarters the name and P O address of each comrade, to whom they may mail an Annual Report of that excellent institution.

IV. The address is wanted at this office of the surgeon in charge at Portsmouth Grove Hospital, Rhode Island, from Sept 10 to Dec. 11, 1862; Thomas Ward, Private, Company A, 3d Mass. Heavy Artillery.

V. General Orders, No. 8, from National Headquarters is hereby promulgated.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 11. }

BOSTON, Dec. 29, 1884.

I. The following named comrades are hereby detailed as mustering officers by Comrade George H Bonney, Jr, Chief Mustering Officer of the Department, and will install the officers of the Post whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| John D. Billings, Department Commander | 68, 86 |
| John W Hersey, Department Senior Vice-Commander | 103, 147, 166 |
| Richard F. Tobin, Department Junior Vice-Commander | 18, 23, 30, 159 |
| Edward McKay, Council of Administration | 130, 163 |
| A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General | 2, 36, 87, 156 |
| S. A. Cushing, Jr., Department Inspector | 32 |
| George H. Bonney, Jr., Chief Mustering Officer | 165 |
| John W. Kimball, Past Department Commander | 153 |
| George W. Creasey, Past Department Commander | 5 |
| G. H. Patch, Past Department Commander | 57, 102 |
| G. S. Evans, Past Department Commander | 4, 7, 16, 62, 125, 161 |
| Charles O. Fellows, Past Assistant Quartermaster-General | 21, 35 |
| Charles H. Leonard | 76, 154 |
| Thomas Swasey | 82 |
| John Collins | 6 |
| William H. Morgan | 89 |
| William S. Frost | 43, 80 |
| William C. Litchfield | 54 |
| William H. Eastman | 34 |
| Tristram Talbot | 122 |
| I. H. Goodhue | 65 |
| P. Henry O'Connell | 90 |
| William H. Thomas | 104 |
| John S. Beck | 75 |
| George T. Fayweather | 96 |
| Orrin Dalrymple | 79 |
| William L. Gage | 58, 88 |
| David Dunbar | 31 |
| Alonzo G. Furbush | 63 |

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| Dennis Linehan | 15 |
| John A. Bearse | 49 |
| Jeremiah Norris | 149 |
| Rodney D. Loomis | 70 |
| F. P. Harlow | 78 |
| Louis L. Stone | 175 |
| George E. Goodrich | 19 |
| Isaac M. Holt | 121 |
| Samuel C. Hunt | 1 |
| Eugene R. Prior | 106 |
| D. J. Starbuck | 134 |
| S. Wells Hunt | 55 |
| E. P. Wildes | 108 |
| Charles H. Deyo | 51 |
| Daniel F. Kiley | 42 |
| George W. Corey | 173 |
| R. W. Rand | 140, 162 |
| George L. Goodale | 66 |
| H. T. Brigham | 67 |
| Lucius Field | 64 |
| S. H. Smith | 126 |
| John F. Dolan | 172 |
| Charles F. Perkins | 81 |
| George W. Rockwood | 59 |
| C. H. Taft | 144 |
| George J. Sanger | 152 |
| Alexander Smart | 114 |
| Edward P. Miles | 138 |
| R. B. Dickie | 158, 177 |
| Darius Hadley | 95 |
| John H. Abbott | 133 |
| James Bracken | 168 |
| H. M. Converse | 160 |
| Cyrus T. Batchelder | 50 |
| Charles Grey | 123 |
| William H. Brown | 118 |
| George H. Walker | 105 |
| Harry A. Cushman | 3 |
| N. E. Ladd | 101 |
| Charles H. Colburn | 120 |
| C. R. Bartlett | 136 |
| Charles H. Clark | 176 |
| A. A. Burrill | 22 |
| D. H. Smith | 145 |
| William Spaulding | 12 |
| F. W. Polley | 53 |
| R. C. Jenkins | 14 |
| W. H. Eastman | 128 |
| George R. Peirce | 150 |
| David L. Hodges | 169 |
| Dexter Hager | 164 |
| B. S. Atwood | 13 |
| Fitz J. Babson | 45 |
| Frank O. Barnes | 56 |
| E. R. Jewett | 91 |
| A. H. Cogswell | 100 |
| Charles F. Urann | 43 |
| A. A. Seaverns | 112 |
| George M. Fisk | 117 |

II. The Commanders of the above indicated Posts should at once communicate with their mustering officers, giving time and place of installation, and the most direct way of getting there. In case the comrade designated above for any Post cannot be present, and where no comrade has been detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer, any National or Department officer, or Past Post Commander (in his own Post) in good standing (except the retiring Commander) may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until all reports and dues have been forwarded. (See Service Book.)

III. A year's supply of blank Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports, with blank bond for Post Quartermaster, have been sent to each Post Commander. If the same have not been received, notice should be sent to these headquarters at once.

IV. The Eighteenth Session of the Department Encampment will be held in this city January 28 and 29. It is proposed to have a banquet at the close of the meeting. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are requested to send to this office at their earliest opportunity, on the enclosed card, the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the same. Price of tickets \$1.00. Promptness is desirable in this matter, as only five hundred tickets can be issued, on account of the capacity of the hall.

V. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Assistant Surgeon Frederick E. Porter, or any officer who served on United States gunboat *Tuscomb* in 1863.

VI. The following new Posts have been organized since the last Order was issued:—

SAMUEL F. WOOD Post 179, Barre, B. F. Brooks, Commander.

Post 180, Concord, George P. How, Commander

VII. General Orders, Nos. 9 and 10, from National Headquarters, are herewith promulgated.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,

Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 12. }

BOSTON, Jan. 5, 1885.

I. The annual Encampment of this Department will meet at Faneuil Hall, Boston, Thursday evening, January 29, at seven o'clock, and continue the session at Tremont Temple, January 30.

II. It is earnestly desired that every Post in the Department shall be represented by its full delegation, and as arrangements are making for transacting more of the business than usual at the evening session, delegates should be on hand punctually and stay through the meeting. Posts should pay the expenses of their delegates, if necessary to secure this end.

III. The ratio of representatives has already been published in General Orders, No. 9. In the absence of a Post Commander, the Senior Vice-Commander may represent the Post, or if both are absent, the Junior Vice-Commander may act.

IV. Comrade Charles D. Stiles, Commander of Post 68, will detail an Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, an Orderly, and eight com-

rades, to act as guard during the Encampment. This detail will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Faneuil Hall at 6 P. M., on the 29th.

V. After the adjournment of the Encampment, a banquet will be served at Faneuil Hall, to which Governor Robinson, Mayor O'Brien, and other distinguished guests have been invited. Only five hundred tickets will be issued at \$1.00 each, and as delegates are first to be supplied, it is hoped they will order tickets through their Post Commanders without delay, so that if any are left, they can be sold to comrades desiring them.

VI. The Department Commander takes pleasure in calling attention to a work recently compiled by Comrade Robert B. Beath, Past Commander-in-Chief, under the title of the "Grand Army Blue Book," which gives to each section or article of the Rules and Regulations, in notes appended thereto, the decisions of Commanders-in-Chief, or opinions of the Judge Advocate-General bearing thereon, with additional notes, explanations or suggestions, by Comrade Beath. The system of references adopted in this book, with the varied information it contains, not easily accessible in any other form, makes this work one of great value to every officer or comrade desiring to be fully informed on Grand Army laws and usages. Each Post should have a copy and keep it for reference by comrades.

The sale of this book is not restricted to Posts alone, but can be purchased by comrades from these headquarters at \$1.00 per copy. Every Post officer should be well informed on the laws governing the Post, and in this book will be found the information necessary to an intelligent performance of his duty.

VII. The address of Captain Ladd, Assistant Quartermaster First Division Ninth Army Corps, in front of Petersburg, near City Point, Va., July, 1864, is wanted at these headquarters.

By command of

JOHN D. BILLINGS,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

1884.

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| JOHN D. BILLINGS, <i>Commander</i> | Canton. |
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| RICHARD F. TOBIN, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | Cambridge. |
| JAMES OLIVER, JR., <i>Medical Director</i> | Athol. |
| REV. RICHARD EDDY, <i>Chaplain</i> | Melrose. |

Council of Administration.

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| W. W. SCOTT | Worcester. |
| J. CUSHING THOMAS | Boston. |
| JOHN McDONOUGH | South Boston. |
| EDWARD MCKAY | Milford. |
| CHARLES H. TRACY | Chicopee. |

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| A. C. MONROE, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | 12 Pemberton Sq., Room 6, Boston |
| THOMAS E. BARKER, <i>Assistant Q.M.-General</i> | 12 Pemberton Sq., Room 6, Boston. |
| SAMUEL A. CUSHING, JR, <i>Inspector</i> | 5 Merchants Row, Boston. |
| JOHN H. HARDY, <i>Judge Advocate</i> | 23 Court Street, Boston. |
| GEO. H. BONNEY, JR., <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Kingston. |

Aides-de-Camp.

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| A. A. HARRINGTON, | Canton. | JOHN H. ABBOTT, | Fall River. |
| JUSTIN B. WILLARD, | Worcester. | E. P. MORTON, | Webster. |
| DAVID DUNBAR, | East Weymouth. | W. A. WETHERBEE, | Newton. |
| JOHN S. BECK, | Medford. | LYSANDER WOOD, | Stoughton. |
| S. WELLS HUNT, | Sandwich. | ALONZO H. PERRY, | Plymouth. |
| FRED. A. WASHBURN, | New Bedford. | PETER SNYDER, | No. Adams. |
| DENNIS LINEHAN, | Boston. | W. C. POMEROY, | Northampton. |
| HUBERT O. MOORE, | Lynn. | WM. L. GAGE, | So. Braintree. |
| B. READ WALES, | Dorchester. | F. M. HARRINGTON, | Northboro. |
| E. B. MEEHAN, | Boston. | E. WARREN HARBACK, | Upton. |
| ALVIN R. BAILEY, | Charlestown. | H. N. HARRIMAN, | Georgetown. |

Aides-de-Camp (Continued).

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| CHARLES FAY, | Springfield. | JOHN H. GOULD, | Medfield. |
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| LYMAN W. CLARK, | E. Boston. | ROBERT B. DICKIE, | Lanesboro. |
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| HORACE J. GRAY, | Cambridgeport. | H. A. CUSHMAN, | Taunton. |
| A. A. SEAVENS, | No. Scituate. | ERNEST WAGNER, | Methuen. |
| SAMUEL WORCESTER, | Salem. | E. T. HARVELL, | Rockland. |
| WM. H. MATTHEWS, | Woburn. | S. T. CHAMBERLAIN, | So. Gardner. |
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Representatives to National Encampment.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

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 GEO. A. FLETCHER, Milton.
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 ANDREW C. STONE, Lawrence.
 JOHN MACFARLANE, Lynn.
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 THOS. H. HILL, Woburn.
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 GEORGE W. CREASEY, Newburyport.
 GEORGE H. PATCH, So. Framingham.
 GEORGE S. EVANS, Cambridge.

* Deceased.

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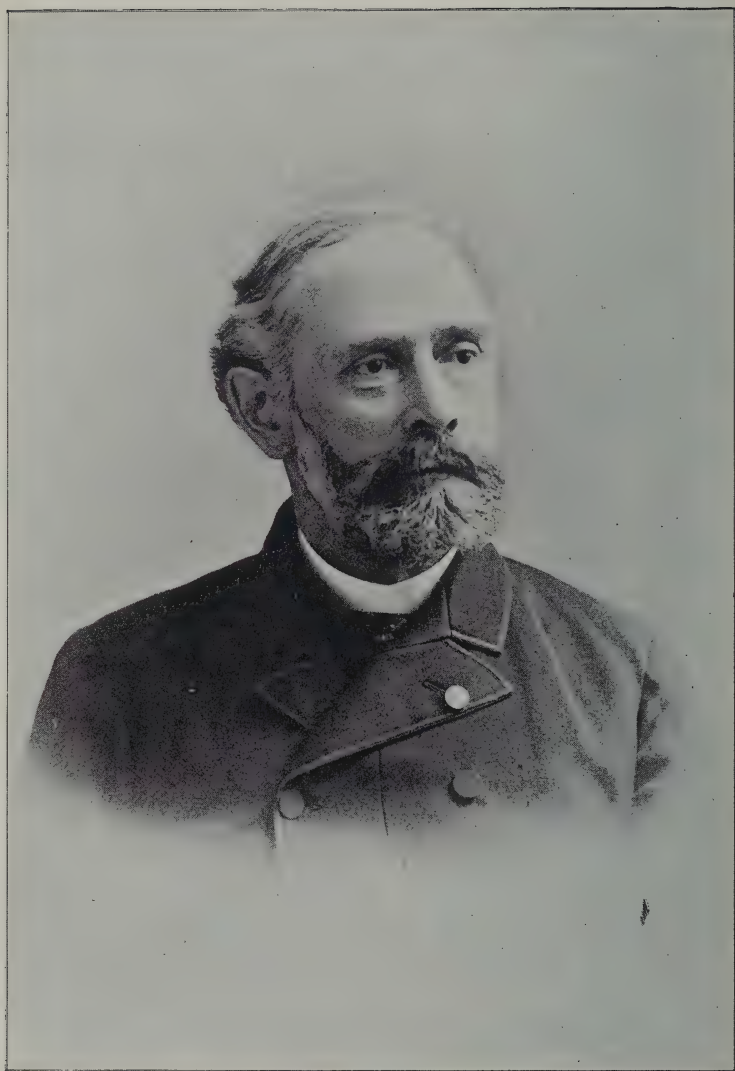
| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
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| Wm. Logan Rodman . | 1 | New Bedford | James L. Wilber | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren | 2 | South Boston | J. Payson Bradley 499 Broadway | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett | 3 | Taunton | Gustavus T. Fisher | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant | 4 | Melrose | Edwin C. Gould | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander | 5 | Lynn | Geo. D. Stiles | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman | 6 | Holliston | Daniel F. Travis | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell . | 7 | Boston | Albert S. Buswell 100 Vernon St., Rox. | Friday |
| E. W. Pierce | 8 | Middleboro | Alvin P. Vaughn | Saturday |
| Reno | 9 | Hudson | Rufus Howe | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward | 10 | Worcester | Wm. L. Robinson 13 Mechanics St. | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln | 11 | Charlestown | Thos. H. Haskell Harvard Sq. | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| H. M. Warren | 12 | Wakefield | Oliver Walton | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster | 13 | Brockton | Geo. A. Grant Box 1044 | Thursday |
| C. C. Phillips | 14 | Hopkinton | T. N. Drawbridge | Wednesday |
| John A. Andrew | 15 | Boston | Geo. O. Noyes Box 3432 | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox | 16 | Springfield | E. W. Lathrop | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick | 17 | Orange | R. W. Rand | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott | 18 | Ashland | John H. Balcom | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner | 19 | Fitchburg | Ira G. Wilkins | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf | 20 | Colerain | David W. Snow | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Friedrich Hecker | 21 | Boston | Charles Bleiler | Wednesday |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher . . . | 22 | Milford | George L. Maynard | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker | 23 | East Boston | Jos. H. Dutton 106 White St. | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| A. B. R. Sprague | 24 | Grafton | Henry Mann | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge | 25 | Uxbridge | E. J. Hill | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson | 26 | Roxbury | Charles H. Hovey | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Charles Devens | 27 | Oxford | Fred G. Hyde | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells | 28 | West Boylston | W. L. G. Haskins | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers | 29 | Waltham | William D. Newland Box 78 | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| William H. Smart | 30 | Cambridgeport | John W. Walker 36 River Street | Thursday |
| George W. Perry | 31 | Scituate | A. A. Seaverns North Scituate | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington | 32 | South Boston | W. J. Blake 19 Dedham Street | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Burbank | 33 | Woburn | Chas. A. McDonald | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan | 34 | Salem | Albert J. Lowd | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop . . . | 35 | Chelsea | Geo. W. Marsh Box 9 | Thursday |
| Francis Gould | 36 | Arlington | Horace D. Durgin No. Cambridge | 1st and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns | 37 | Spencer | Geo. L. Smith | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Dexter | 38 | Brookfield | E. Legg | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham | 39 | Lawrence | Geo. H. Flagg 42 Charles Street | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry | 40 | Malden | Benj. Johnson | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Lyon | 41 | Westfield | Chas. H. Clark | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| B. F. Butler | 42 | Lowell | Frank B. Peabody Wamesit Mills | Thursday |
| John A. Rawlins | 43 | Marlboro | E. C. Mar-h | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols | 44 | Gloucester | Francis Wright | Monday |
| Colonel Allen | 45 | Gloucester | Wm. H. Cross | Thur-day |
| Richard Borden | 46 | Fall River | John H. Abbott 285 So. Main Street | Thursday |
| Major How | 47 | Haverhill | Wm. H. Johnson Rear 108 Wash. Street | Tuesday |
| George S. Boutwell | 48 | Ayer | Francis Lovejoy | 1st Thursday |
| A. W. Bartlett | 49 | Newburyport | Jos. L. Johnson | Friday |
| Union | 50 | Peabody | Wm. H. Hildreth Box 173 | Monday |
| Ezra Batcheller | 51 | North Brookfield | John S. Cooke | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall | 52 | South Easton | Ellis R. Holbrook Box 30 (Cochesett) | 2d and last Thur. |

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| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | Leominster | Aldrich Cook..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | Berlin..... | John L. Bruce..... | 1st and 2d Tues. |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | Taunton..... | Simeon T. Wilber..... | Monday |
| | | | Whittenton Mills } | |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | Daniel T. Duhig..... | Monday |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge..... | J. F. Capelle..... | Wednesday |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | East Weymouth } | |
| Major J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | Sterling..... | Edward F. Winn..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin..... | 60 | Franklin..... | Oliver H. Ingalls..... | 4th Mon. |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | A. R. Snow..... | 2d and 3d Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | W. A. Wetherbee..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | Frank P. Simonds..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | Louis L. Stone..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | John G. Leach..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | Samuel G. Jepson..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | Box 216 } | |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | Robert C. Calder..... | Friday |
| | | | Box 116 } | |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester... . | Chas. D. Stiles..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | Abner E. Drury..... | Alternate Sat. |
| | | | Box 72 } | |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | A. H. Batchelor..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | Harry Crosby..... | Tuesday |
| | | | Box 453 } | |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | Stoughton..... | Lysander Wood..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | A. H. Wright..... | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | Isaac Hopkins..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | R. K. Brown..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | Alonso H. Perry..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | Geo. S. Graham..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.... | Wm. H. Gurney..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams..... | Geo. S. Stockwell..... | Friday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | Geo. T. Fayweather..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | B. H. Dow..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | Marblehead..... | Wm. B. McCurdy..... | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | W. R. Howes..... | Last Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.... | Dexter F. Hager..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | Geo. S. Marsh..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | Northampton..... | W. C. Pomeroy..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.... | Henry A. Monk..... | Friday |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | Wm. P. Martin..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | Beverly..... | Jos. W. Stocker..... | Thursday |
| | | | Box 341 } | |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | Edward L. Hill..... | Monday |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxboro..... | C. A. Stevens..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | Brighton..... | Benj. F. Sandborn..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls.... | G. R. Pierce..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | Jonathan Linfield.... | 2d and last Thur. |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | Saugus..... | Chas. A. Newhall..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | F. M. Harrington..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | Geo. M. Abbey..... | 1st Monday |
| Henry Brvant..... | 98 | Cohasset..... | Chas. A. Gross..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | Andover..... | Brainerd Cummings.. | 1st Friday |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | Methuen..... | Daniel Webster..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | Hosea B. Nash..... | Thursday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | Geo. A. Fletcher..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | Charles H. Tracy..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | Chas. H. Wakefield.... | 1st Thursday |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | Upton..... | Chas. H. Johnson..... | Tuesday |
| | | | Box 291 } | |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | Thos. F. Parsons, Jr.. | Monday |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | Palmer..... | Daniel W. Taft..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | Chas. Smith..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton.... | J. W. Wallace..... | 1st Thursday |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | Randolph..... | Wm. A. Croak..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | Henry H. Collamore...} | 1st Saturday |
| | | | North Pembroke } | |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate..... | T. B. Chapman..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| | | | Ridge Hill } | |

POSTS.

| NAME OF POST. | NO. | TOWN. | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
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| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | E. H. Richards..... 7 Green St. | 2d Wednesday |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac..... | Charles O. Roberts..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | M. P. Palmer..... | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | S. T. Chamberlin..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | John H. Gould..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | Peleg Gardner..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | Chas. T. West..... | 2d Thursday |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | Lowell..... | Hubert M. Potter..... 67 Grand Street | Wednesday |
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | Geo. G. Bailey, Jr..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | Chas. L. Tucker..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | Chas. L. Gould..... Box 595 | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | East Bridgewater.. | E. E. Edson..... | 1st Thursday |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | Wm. H. Chamberlin..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams..... | F. L. Wheelock..... | Alternate Sats. |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | Charles Atwood..... | 2d Saturday |
| Gen. James Appleton.. | 128 | Ipswich..... | Luther Wait..... | Wednesday |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | Millville..... | Wm. F. Byrne..... Blackstone | Wednesday |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | Henry A. Walker..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | Leicester..... | F. M. Lamb..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | John F. Cunningham... | 1st Saturday |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | Plainville..... | Wm. H. Wade..... | Monday |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston..... | Thos. Cannon..... | Thursday |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | Jos. R. Loring..... | 2d and last Wed. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | Jas. G. Shannon..... | 1st Monday |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | East Douglass..... | Henry Hutchins..... | Thursday |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | West Acton..... | Jonathan W. Loker..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | Chas. F. King..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | Athol..... | L. H. Sawin..... | Tuesday |
| Frank D. Hammond.. | 141 | Harwich..... | Samuel Hawes..... West Chatham | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxtonville..... | Wm. B. Wallace..... | 2d and last Thur. |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | Willard Y. Gross..... | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | Chas. C. Nichols..... Walnut Hill | 3d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | Thos. K. Gay..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford..... | Chas. H. Harrison..... 187 Elm Street | 3d Thursday |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | Amherst..... | J. W. Howland..... | { Tues. on or bef. full moon |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | Wm. A. Snow..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Major G. L. Stearns.. | 149 | Charlestown..... | Horace S. Flagg..... 16 Carter Street | Friday |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | Montague..... | Jason Mann..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury..... | Elbridge G. Wood..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | Essex..... | Timothy Andrews..... | Wednesday |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | Winchendon..... | C. T. Stearns..... | 2d Friday |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | Kingston..... | Geo. H. Bonney, Jr..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | Monson..... | Harlow Chapin..... | 2d Monday |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | Everett..... | Darius Hadley..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | Walpole..... | Geo. E. Craig..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser... | 158 | Housatonic..... | Wm. McDonald..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | East Boston..... | Flavel Shurtleff..... | Friday |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | West Brookfield... | J. G. Warren..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Woburn..... | 161 | Woburn..... | Geo. Perkins..... | Wednesday |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | Turners Falls..... | Edw. E. Barnard..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |



JOHN W. HERSEY,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1885-86.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TWENTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

HELD AT

BOSTON, 1886.

JANUARY 27 — EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Tremont Temple, Boston, Jan. 27, 1886, in compliance with General Orders No. 15, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 7.30 P.M. by Department Commander John W. Hersey.

The Officer of the Day reported all present members of the Order.

Past Department Commanders were invited to seats upon the platform.

Prayer was offered by Department Chaplain Rev. E. A. Perry, after which the Commander declared the Encampment opened in due form.

On motion of Comrade John McDonough of Post 2, the reading of the records was dispensed with.

The Commander then appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz., the Assistant Adjutant-General, the Assistant Quartermaster-General, Comrades Edward McKay and Samuel Worcester, Council of Administration, and T. J. Ames of Staff.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials, as follows: —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 583 |
| Number present | 452 |
| Divided as follows: — | |
| Department Officers | 15 |
| Past Department Commanders | 6 |
| Post Commanders | 135 |
| Delegates | 296 |
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| Total | 452 |

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1886.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | JOHN W. HERSEY |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | RICHARD F. TOBIN. |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | CHARLES D. NASH. |
| <i>Medical Director</i> | WALTER H. LEIGHTON. |
| <i>Chaplain</i> | REV. E. A. PERRY. |

Council of Administration.

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| JOHN McDONOUGH. | EDWARD McKAY. | CHARLES H. TRACY. |
| HORACE A. SAWYER. | SAMUEL WORCESTER. | |

Official Staff.

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| <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | ALFRED C. MONROE. |
| <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i> | W. W. SCOTT. |
| <i>Inspector</i> | B. READ WALES. |
| <i>Judge Advocate</i> | HENRY WINN. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | CHARLES FAY. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| AUSTIN S. CUSHMAN. | JOHN W. KIMBALL. |
| GEORGE S. MERRILL. | JOHN G. B. ADAMS. |
| GEORGE W. CREASEY. | GEORGE H. PATCH |
| GEORGE S. EVANS | JOHN D. BILLINGS. |

[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

- POST 1. Commander Fred S. Washburn, Andrew J. Smith, Thomas W. Cook, Edward T. Chapman, S. C. Chamberlin.
- POST 2. Commander C. H. Whitney, J. H. O'Donnell, W. F. Clarke, Arthur Neilson, W. S. Brown, C. H. Ross.
- POST 3. Commander Lewis B. Hodges, A. H. Blake, Benjamin Morris, Alden H. Blake, Duncan S. Elliott.
- POST 4. Commander Edwin C. Gould, Richard Eddy.
- POST 5. Commander T. M. Currant, F. H. Bean, Fred. P. Larrabee, George C. Higgins, W. A. Cotton, David Walker, Frank G. Kelley, Willis L. Hidden, Jas. Frey, Thos. Payton, Warren Bailey, C. M. Sprague, C. H. Robinson, John Forrest, C. B. Smith, S. H. Davenport, Fred. Fitts, Geo. D. Stiles.
- POST 6. Commander Wm. H. Belcher, B. A. Bridges.
- POST 7. Commander Wilbur F. Lane, Thaddeus Churchill, Jeremiah Wakefield, George A. J. Colgan, Patrick W. Doherty, George B. Martis, Stephen F. Keyes, J. B. Cherry, Charles H. Whitney.

- Post 8. Commander James M. Sampson, Thomas B. Griffiths, Chas. W. Turner.
- Post 9. Commander Charles G. Brigham, Geo. W. Poor, C. H. Hill.
- Post 10. Commander Cephas N. Walker, S. F. Babbitt, J. B. Lamb, James Armstrong, C. W. Putnam, J. B. Willard, Thos. O'Gara, Frank H. Rice, Jotham Bigelow, Wm. L. Robinson, Joseph P. Eaton, Augustus Stone, J. N. Jones.
- Post 11. Commander Wm. H. Poole, Isaac W. Derby, Thos. H. Haskell, Jos. W. Hill, John Reade, Everett A. Stevens.
- Post 12. Commander Arlon S. Atherton, W. S. Harris, Wm. N. Tyler, Justin Howard, D. R. Rolfe.
- Post 13. Commander Alfred F. Sears, Nathaniel D. Toppan, Wm. R. Bunker, Chas. E. Tribon, Francis M. Shaw.
- Post 14. Commander N. H. Houghton, A. O. Thompson.
- Post 15. Commander David R. Pierce, E. B. Loring, George W. Powers, Samuel Canning, David O. Felt, Charles W. Bartlett, J. Cushing Thomas, Francis E. Beahn, Thomas Langlan.
- Post 16. Commander Joel H. Hendrick, H. M. Phillips, J. L. Knight, John Baker, C. D. Ufford, Wm. S. Shurtleff, C. H. Allison, Geo. L. Warriner, N. E. Abbott, E. F. Cross, D. W. Ware.
- Post 17. Commander Albert L. Barrett, A. L. Shattuck, G. A. Drake.
- Post 18. Commander E. H. Bunker, G. C. Fiske.
- Post 19. Commander Edward P. Loring, Edwin F. Putnam, Fred M. Peckham, Sidney Sibley, George S. Gilchrest, Edward B. Macy.
- Post 20. Junior Vice-Commander Loren B. Moore.
- Post 21. Commander Charles Rothenberg, Theodore Leutz.
- Post 22. Commander Henry J. Bailey, L. A. Lamson, Henry Hancock, Henry A. Pond.
- Post 23. Commander Edward Preble, Lyman W. Clark, Samuel M. Weale, Lyman W. Gould.
- Post 24. Commander George M. Newton, F. L. Fuller.
- Post 25. Commander Ezra J. Hill.
- Post 26. Commander John E. Killian, Michael Riley, Frank W. Monroe, Frank B. Perkins.
- Post 27. Commander O. B. Chaffee, L. T. Emerson.
- Post 28. W. L. G. Haskins.
- Post 29. Commander M. H. Stevens, H. N. Fisher, J. Beaty.
- Post 30. Commander Wm. H. P. Plummer, Samuel Hall, P. A. Lindsey, E. J. Dolan, J. W. Walker, J. Kinnear.
- Post 31. Commander Geo. O. Vinal, Henry H. Chubuck.
- Post 32. Commander W. J. Blake, P. Lynch, D. McCarty.
- Post 33. Commander William P. Warren, Chas. W. McDonald, Oliver M. Wade.
- Post 34. T. Wilson Nye, Amos Stillman, Albion M. Dudley, Edward C. Becket.
- Post 35. Commander Nelson H. Sibley, Joseph B. Everdean, A. G. Beane, Geo. W. White, George W. Marsh, Charles A. Littlefield, William A. Prescott, William S. Hixon, Charles O. Fellows.
- Post 36. Commander Horace D. Durgin, Major Bacon.
- Post 37. Commander Charles P. Barton, Charles A. Boyden, James H. Holmes, Emerson Stone.
- Post 38. Commander Edwin Legg, E. D. Goodell.
- Post 39. Commander Charles H. Couillard, James J. Stanley, James Lane, James W. Joyce, Andrew C. Stone, Daniel F. Kiley, Charles Phillbrick, Marcus W. Copps.
- Post 40. Commander F. E. West, Frank J. Scott, Nathan Newhall, Charles E. Thompson.
- Post 41. Commander George H. Prescott, Frank A. Snow, Wm. Provin, J. A. Lakin.

- POST 42. Commander John Welch, Benj. F. Butler, H. G. O. Weymouth, John F. Murphy, John E. Quinn, O. M. Cousens, Andrew J. Boies, C. A. R. Dimon.
- POST 43. Commander John R. McCrillis, W. A. Alley, C. F. Robinson, J. W. Barnes
- POST 44. Commander George Cantello, S. F. Draper.
- POST 45. Commander Sidney Gardner, Benjamin F. Cook, Charles H. Parsons, Albert C. Andrews.
- POST 46. Commander John H. Abbott, James L. Delmage, Richard Booth, John M. Deane, Frank McGraw.
- POST 47. Commander Edward B. Savage, Thos. M. Arnold, William H. Johnson, Benj. A. Sawyer, Walter Goodrich, Carl Jensen, John C. Goodwin.
- POST 48. Commander John H. Sprague, H. C. Sherwin.
- POST 49. Commander Henry Martin, Eben P. Cutter, John Burke, Caleb P. Davis, Jr., Albert O. Colby, Russell T. Tibbetts.
- POST 50. Commander Frank E. Farnham, Wm. W. Reed, George B. Millen.
- POST 51. Commander John S. Cooke, Charles H. Bartlett.
- POST 52. Commander Ellis R. Holbrook, P. W. Fecto, D. W. Bufrill.
- POST 53. Commander A. W. Allen, D. W. Martin.
- POST 54. Commander John A. Merrill, E. H. Hartshorn.
- POST 55. Not represented.
- POST 56. Commander Horace A. Allyn, Dexter Jewett, F. W. Higginson.
- POST 57. Commander F. M. Balcom, M. F. Davlin, M. F. Marks, T. J. Quinn.
- POST 58. Commander Benj. S. Lovell, James W. Rand, Moses R. Greeley, James J. Mahoney, Jr., Austin P. Beard.
- POST 59. Not represented
- POST 60. Commander William E. Nason, George W. Nason, Wm. H. Williams
- POST 61. Commander Elias P. Morton, H. J. Wooddell, E. P. Carter.
- POST 62. Commander W. H. Park, Jr., J. F. Makee, R. M. Lucas.
- POST 63. Commander S. W. Mann, D. M. L. Gleason, Ed. P. Simpson, J. H. Wright
- POST 64. Commander Henry C. Ladd, Charles Frazer.
- POST 65. W. S. Stearns.
- POST 66. Commander Robert M. Spinney, John S. Beck, J. Everett Pierce.
- POST 67. Commander Chas. H. Stone, E. P. Stanley.
- POST 68. Commander Charles D. Stiles, Charles B. Fox, Henry P. Oakman, Edmund C. Whitney, Charles D. W. Marcy, Walter E. Swan.
- POST 69. Commander J. S. Harrington, E. S. Kendall.
- POST 70. Commander E. A. Waters, S. C. Spooner.
- POST 71. Commander W. H. Abbott, A. M. Cain, James Howes.
- POST 72. Commander Lysander Wood, Thomas Blanchard.
- POST 73. Commander A. W. Hines, A. H. Wright, J. W. Sproul.
- POST 74. Commander George E. Dunham, Silas Gurney, Jeremiah Looby.
- POST 75. Commander S. L. Colley, John Best, C. B. Carlin.
- POST 76. Commander Benj. A. Hathaway, Edmond M. Leach, Martin Curley.
- POST 77. Not represented.
- POST 78. Commander Rufus Cass, Ephraim T. Cole, A. B. Caswell, Jr.
- POST 79. Senior Vice-Commander L. J. Amidon, C. B. Cheesebre, E. B. Hicks
- POST 80. Commander Chas. E. Smith, F. W. Bullard, L. P. Clafin
- POST 81. Commander Fred. A. Thomas, G. W. Smith, Geo. E. Teele.
- POST 82. Senior Vice-Commander Richard Goldsmith, John B. Graves, Jr., Richard B. Brown, William K. Brown, Thos. Swasey.

- POST 83. Commander R. C. Waterman, John G. Knight.
 POST 84. Not represented.
 POST 84. Commander Frank P. Clark, D. W. Ainsworth.
 POST 86. Commander Wm R. Bartwell, W C. Pomeroy, Albert A. Lyman, John Keach, Geo. C. Clapp.
 POST 87. Commander Henry A. Monk, W. M. Richards.
 POST 88. Commander Francis P. Loud, Wm. P. Martin, Samuel D De Forrest.
 POST 89. Commander John Hanners, James H. Kendall, John W. McKnight, Fred. A. Wallis.
 POST 90. Commander Harvey H. Pillsbury, Timothy D. Crowley, Joseph J. Fuller, Edward L. Hill.
 POST 91. Commander H. C. Lindley, Wm. H. Kempton.
 POST 92. Commander Alva J. Wilson, Frederick Hammond.
 POST 93. Commander James F. Hunter, Edwin Baker, G. R. Pierce.
 POST 94. Commander John T. Pitman.
 POST 95. Senior Vice-Commander James F. Pratt, George W. Gale.
 POST 96. Not represented.
 POST 97. Commander A. Morse, Charles Davis.
 POST 98. David B. Lincoln.
 POST 99. Commander George W. Chandler, Peter D. Smith.
 POST 100. Commander George H. Barnard, Joseph Martin.
 POST 101. Nathaniel E. Ladd.
 POST 102. Commander Charles E C Breck, George A. Fletcher.
 POST 103. Commander Benj. F. Tucker, Zackery Damon.
 POST 104. Commander Charles H. Wakefield, John H. Stodder.
 POST 105. Commander D C. Haviland, Geo. S. Ball.
 POST 106. Commander Calvin W. Pool.
 POST 107. Commander Chas. Upham, Daniel W. Tuft.
 POST 108. Commander Charles W Tenney, C. O. Noyes, H. N. Harriman.
 POST 109. Commander Chas. B. Garfield, Geo. P Hawkes.
 POST 110. Commander Nathaniel H. Tirrell, Luther Rowe.
 POST 111. Senior Vice-Commander H. C Sampson, H. H. Collamore.
 POST 112. Commander David Bassford, Jr., William C. Litchfield.
 POST 113. Commander Augustine Sanderson, Augustine N. Sampson, Albert W. Hersey.
 POST 114. Commander M P. Brew, Bailey Sargent.
 POST 115. Commander Daniel C Fletcher, Chas. Blood.
 POST 116. Commander John D. Edgett, Chas. F. Read.
 POST 117. Commander John H. Pember, Ansel K. Tisdale.
 POST 118. Commander John J. Adams
 POST 119. Junior Vice-Commander J. N. Morse.
 POST 120. Commander W. A. Fifield, H M. Jacobs, W W. Tuttle, L. A. French, G. W. Huntoon, C. F. Urann.
 POST 121. Commander E. S. Churchill, S. N. Piper, W. C. Eustis, Jas. McKay.
 POST 122. Commander Charles Goss, Dudley J. Marston.
 POST 123. Commander James Oliver, Benj. W. Spooner, Hiram A. Bancroft.
 POST 124. Commander Peregrine W. Poole, Francis M. Kingman.
 POST 125. Commander Walter Cutting Charles W. Whelden, Edward McDonald, Robert B. Dickie.
 POST 126. Commander E. P. Snow, Peter Powers.
 POST 127. Commander Edward Pendleton, Josiah G. Cook.
 POST 128. Commander Luther Wait, Nathaniel Shatswell, Thomas F. Ellsworth
 POST 129. Commander Cyremius E. Tucker, Lawrence Gibney.
 POST 130. Commander Wm J. Arbuckle, Henry A. Walker.
 POST 131. Commander John F. Kebler, John D. Cogswell.
 POST 132. Commander L. Wells Hunt, Samuel H. Nye.

- POST 133. Commander William H. Wade, Edward P. Davis.
 POST 134. Commander Samuel A. Valentine, Isaac S. Mullin.
 POST 135. Hammond W. Page.
 POST 136. Not represented
 POST 137. Commander Henry Hutchins, E. C. Norris.
 POST 138. Commander Isaiah Hutchins, D. H. Hall
 POST 139. Commander Melville D. Jones, James Davlin.
 POST 140. Commander William E. Jaquith.
 POST 141. Commander G. N. Munsell, C. H. Rockwell.
 POST 142. Commander Nathaniel S. Robinson.
 POST 143. W. Y. Gross, C. C. Soule.
 POST 144. Commander Henry W. Weeks, Charles C. Nichols, Wm. R. Guild.
 POST 145. Commander E. D. Guild, E. S. Horton, A. T. Wales.
 POST 146. Commander Geo. T. Fisher, Chas. H. Hanson.
 POST 147. Commander H. M. McCloud, C. S. Walker, J. W. Howland.
 POST 148. W. A. Snow
 POST 149. Commander Charles S. Stone, Patrick Duggan.
 POST 150. Commander G. N. Watson, Leander Brigham.
 POST 151. Not represented.
 POST 152. Commander Charles E. French, Wm. Howe Burnham.
 POST 153. Commander Geo. Q. A. Bryant, Theo. K. Parker.
 POST 154. Commander Frank C. Hill, Wm. J. Dunham.
 POST 155. George E. Fuller.
 POST 156. Commander Charles H. Spencer, Darius Hadley.
 POST 157. M. W. Allen.
 POST 158. Commander Wm. McDonald.
 POST 159. Commander Joseph Rossiter, C. E. Bushee, C. E. Gerold.
 POST 160. Commander George H. Howard, James Dillon.
 POST 161. Commander Milton Moore, Ambrose Bancroft, Chas. H. Harding
 POST 162. Commander Otis B. Wood, R. L. Atherton.
 POST 163. Commander E. T. Phinney, Geo. O. Bent.
 POST 164. Commander Charles C. Burdett.
 POST 165. Commander John W. Tower, Lawrence Bradford.
 POST 166. Commander Edwin E. James, Clarence E. Ware.
 POST 167. Not represented.
 POST 168. Commander Geo. W. Corey
 POST 169. Commander Albert G. Webb, Austin E. Pratt.
 POST 170. Commander Henry H. Fairbanks, John Smith.
 POST 171. Commander Rollin C. Ward, F. J. Stockbridge, Wm. E. Merriam.
 POST 172. Commander Ambrose Eames.
 POST 173. Commander John H. Harrison, Byron W. Charles.
 POST 174. Commander Charles C. Haskell, George Pierce.
 POST 175. Commander Eben C. Mann, Henry S. Nourse.
 POST 176. Edward Pease.
 POST 177. Commander D. M. Wilcox, Jacob Leroy.
 POST 178. Commander Warren O. Hawley, Albert B. Champlin,
 POST 179. Commander B. F. Brooks.
 POST 180. Commander Edward J. Bartlett, A. P. Chamberlain.
 POST 181. Not represented.
 POST 182. Commander Amasa Gray, Wm. Ryan.
 POST 183. Commander Charles Church.

The next business was the reports of the Department officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander John W. Hersey, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER JOHN W. HERSEY.

WORK OF THE YEAR.

Another march is ended, another campaign is closed, and we, as comrades and coworkers, stack our arms and again bivouac for a brief season, while we review the past, consider the present, and counsel together as to the future of our beloved organization. And it would seem fitting and proper, that at the very outset of our deliberations in this our annual Encampment, we should pause, and from our hearts return thanks to the Great Giver of all good, who has so kindly led and prospered us in the work of the year, both as an organization and as individuals. When, a year ago, I received at your generous hands the honor which you conferred upon me, by electing me to the most honorable position which it has ever been my privilege to attain to, I fully resolved that, to the very utmost of my abilities and opportunities, no effort of mine should be lacking to enable our Department to still maintain the high and honorable position which it then held amongst the Departments of the nation. And while I have not been able to accomplish all I hoped and desired, yet I think I can truthfully say, *I have done what I could*; and while I recount to you in detail some of the labors of the year, I do so in no spirit of boastfulness, but having received this honorable trust at your hands, it would seem but proper and right, as I return it, that with it I should also return to you a general account of my stewardship.

During the year, it has been my privilege to attend eighteen different camp-fires and thirty-two other Grand Army gatherings in various parts of the Department. I have assisted in the opening of seven different fairs; have attended all the meetings of the Council of Administration, five in number; have attended twenty-five regular Post meetings, four regimental and company reunions, one meeting of the Staff, held for the purpose of laying out and arranging the work of the year; delivered one Memorial Day address, and was present and participated in Memorial Day exercises with the comrades of another Post, and in the course of the year have made sixty-five Grand Army speeches (such as they were); have given three hearings at Department Headquarters, on matters pertaining to the interests of the Department; have installed the officers of seven different Posts, five of them being public; was present and participated in the work of the National Encampment; attended the reunion of Massachusetts Veterans; have visited three different places for the purpose of arranging for the organization of new Posts, and as a result of these labors, am happy to report that in two of these

places Posts have been organized and are now doing well; and have been present at the dedication of two soldiers' monuments, — making in all one hundred and eleven different occasions in which I have, to the very best of my ability, represented the Department in such a manner, at least, as to bring no discredit upon it. I have written upwards of three hundred letters and a large number of postal cards. In the performance of these duties, I have travelled upward of 8,000 miles, and have met at various times and in different places over 17,000 of the comrades of the Department; have been absent from home and away from my business in the interests of the Department nearly eighty days, and think I can safely say, that taking this, together with the time that I had given to the interests of the Department when at home, fully one third of the year has been spent in the service and interests of the Department.

As I contemplate the past and sum up the labors of the year, and am about to commit this grand and noble work to other hands, I find but one lingering regret in my mind, and that is, that I have not been able to do more to advance the interests of our beloved Department, and to extend the influences of this grand and fraternal comradeship, which is so dear to each one of our hearts.

MEMBERSHIP.

When I entered upon the duties of the year, I was well aware of the fact that the field of Grand Army work and interests in this Department had been so thoroughly worked and cultivated by my worthy predecessors in office, that I could not reasonably hope or expect to accomplish much in the way of organizing new Posts; consequently I turned my attention more particularly to the work of building up and strengthening those already organized; and as a result of the labors of the year, I think I can safely say that our Department was never in a more flourishing and prosperous condition than at the present time, and I am able to report the following facts relative thereto. At the commencement of the year, we had 180 Posts; we now have 183, a gain of three new Posts, notwithstanding the fact that at the commencement of the year I could not see the least possible opening for a single new Post in the Department. Jan. 1, 1885, the Assistant Adjutant-General reported a net membership of 16,637. Jan. 1, 1886, his report shows a net membership of 17,965, making a gain of 1,328 for the year, a result over which I think we may well congratulate ourselves, considering the fact that we can no longer expect to increase our membership by the formation of new Posts, and also the fact that the field from which we may hope or expect to get an increase of membership is becoming more and more limited each year as the years go by,

and that we are fast approaching that time when the tide must set in the other direction, and we shall have to report a decrease instead of an increase.

A matter that has given me a good deal of thought and anxiety during the year has been the matter of suspended membership; and I have to confess that the more I have thought and considered the question, the further I seemed to be from the solution of the problem, how we can avoid this terrible drain upon our membership. I can only suggest as a remedy for this great evil, thorough and systematic work on the part of Post officers especially Post Quartermasters, in looking closely after those who are inclined to be delinquent in the payment of their dues. Another remedy that I would respectfully suggest and urge upon the attention of comrades, is the importance of allowing no comrade, who is honestly poor, to be thrust out and lose his membership simply because he is poor. In the beautiful words of our installation service, I would say, "Seek out and aid the deserving poor," and let this grand work commence right in the Post room, "and if a comrade be worthy stand by him, though all the world else forsake him;" and commence by having the Post pay his dues, rather than crowd him out into the cold, simply because he is poor.

FINANCES.

By the report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General, it will be seen that the financial affairs of the Department, at the present time, are in a most excellent and gratifying condition, reflecting great credit not only upon those who have had the management of the finances of the Department, but also upon the Posts and comrades, who, by their promptness and faithfulness to the interests of the Department, have contributed so much towards the accomplishment of these desirable results.

By the report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General of last year, Comrade Barker, it will be seen that, at the commencement of the present year we had on hand, cash, \$2,835.62 net; and by referring to the report of the present Assistant Quartermaster-General, Comrade Scott, it will be seen that we now have on hand \$4,394.40 cash; showing for the year a net gain of \$2,008.78, which, together with the property belonging to the Department, consisting of office furniture, supplies, etc., as per appraisal, the total assets of the Department to be \$5,221.25, and best of all, no liabilities. Two thousand dollars of the cash on hand has, by vote of the Council of Administration, been deposited in two reliable savings banks in the city of Boston (\$1,000 in each). By the advice and under the direction of the Judge Advocate, Comrade Winn, this money was deposited in the name of the Department Commander, Assistant Adjutant-General and Assist-

ant Quartermaster-General, and their successors in office, in such a manner that it cannot be drawn therefrom, except upon a written order, signed by all three of these officials; and to make it still more secure, on motion of Judge Advocate Winn, it was unanimously voted by the Council of Administration, that even these officials are not to make any draft upon this money, or the increase thereof, unless authorized so to do by vote of the Council. This, in my judgment, is a wise and judicious policy, and I respectfully recommend that this Encampment instruct the incoming Council of Administration to invest \$1,500 more of the surplus funds of the Department in some reliable savings bank in the city of Boston (not over \$1,000 in any one bank), on the same conditions and under the same restrictions as that already invested. The present prosperous financial condition of our Department again leads us to the consideration of the question submitted to the last Encampment by my predecessor, Past Department Commander Billings, viz., whether or not it is advisable, in the present condition of our finances, to further increase the permanent fund at Department Headquarters.

I think that we ought not to forget, that this money comes largely from the pockets of *our comrades*, upon many of whom the burdens of life rest heavy, and also that many have been compelled to drop out by the way and lose their identity with us, simply because it was impossible for them to pay their dues, small as they were; and I feel that any relief, be it ever so small, that we can extend to the weaker Posts and poorer comrades of the Department will be a move in the right direction. Having very carefully and thoughtfully considered this matter in all its bearings, I fail to see any good reason why we should continue to increase the funds at Department Headquarters as fast as they have been increasing during the past two or three years, and I therefore respectfully recommend that this Encampment reduce the *per capita* tax of the Department from thirty-two cents to twenty-four cents per member, which, together with the other revenues of the Department, will, in my judgment, produce a sufficient income to meet all the current expenses of the Department, and leave a small balance, each year, to be added to the permanent fund of the Department.

I respectfully renew the recommendation of my predecessor, that the sum of \$300 be appropriated by this Encampment to pay the travelling expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty; and also of the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders, when acting in his stead; and I also recommend that, when either of these officers are absent from home on official duty, as above specified, it becomes necessary for them to seek hotel accommodations, the Department shall pay such bills; but in no case shall the total expenditures of the year for such purposes exceed the

sum of \$300, and that all bills so contracted shall be subject to the approval of the Council of Administration.

I further respectfully recommend that the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment, be paid by the Department; and also that the sum of \$200 be appropriated for extra clerk hire to assist the Assistant Adjutant-General in the clerical work of his office.

WORK OF CHARITY.

In no Department of the country is the work of charity, to my mind the most important of our organization, more perfectly exemplified than in our own; a fact that ought to gladden the heart of every comrade who has in any way contributed towards the accomplishment of these grand results, for whatever else we may do, this is, and ought to be, pre-eminently the work of the Grand Army.

During the year just closed there has been expended by the various Posts of the Department the magnificent sum of \$38,212.56 in the work of charity; and in the expenditure of this large sum, 1,595 members of the Grand Army have been assisted, and 763 that were not members; and I am sorry to note, in this connection, an increase in the amount expended in aid of those not members of our organization, for I am coming more and more to believe that it is inexpedient and unjust to our comrades, who are, and have been all these years, bearing the burdens of our organization, only to see those sharing equally with them, who, for some reason or other, have taken no interest nor borne no part in the work of charity in which we are engaged. I am thoroughly convinced that we ought to discriminate very closely in the dispensing of our charity, and only in the most extreme cases expend the money of our relief funds, which rightfully belongs to the comrades of the Grand Army, in aid of those who stand aloof from us, and are never seen or known, only as they reach out their hands to us for aid, when misfortune overtakes them.

In considering this matter of charity, and comparing what has been done in this direction in our own Department with that accomplished in the same direction by other Departments, I have been wonderfully impressed with the grandeur and magnitude of the work accomplished. Permit me to give you a few facts, by way of comparison, relative to this matter, as brought to my attention in consulting the report of the Adjutant-General, as submitted to the last National Encampment. Illinois, with a membership of 19,775, expended for charity last year \$4,924, or about two and one-half cents per member. Kansas, the great soldier State, with a membership of 17,952, expended \$6,097, or a little less than three and one-half cents per member. New York, with a membership of 31,377, expended \$31,614 or a small

fraction over one dollar per member. Pennsylvania, with a membership of 34,412, expended \$33,031, or about ninety-six cents per member. Ohio, with a membership of 27,461, expended \$10,360, or nearly thirty-eight cents per member. *Massachusetts, with a membership of 17,965, expended \$38,212, or over two dollars and twelve cents per member, or considerably more than twice per member than that of any other Department in the country!* And bear in mind, comrades, that this does not include the contributions made by Posts and individual comrades in aid of our Soldiers' Home.

In considering these matters, and trying to sum up in my mind the vast amount of good that must have been accomplished in behalf of our disabled comrades and those dependent upon them, by reason of this grand work of charity, on the part of the comrades of this Department, I can but feel like congratulating myself and my comrades, that we belong not only to the Grand Army of the Republic, but, better still, that we are members of this grand old Department that we love so well.

ROLL OF HONOR.

During the year, 219 of our comrades have been mustered out, and have joined the rapidly increasing host of comrades who have answered the final roll-call, and are now being marshalled under the Supreme Commander.

“They sleep their last sleep
They have fought their last battle;
No sound can awake them to glory again.”

Among those of our own comrades that have thus passed on, perhaps no one was more widely known, loved and honored than Comrade Thomas Plunkett of Post 10, — the armless color-sergeant and hero of Fredericksburg, who died as he lived, brave and true to the last. It was my privilege, accompanied by several members of the Staff, to attend his funeral, on March 14, in Mechanics' Hall, Worcester, and, with a large number of comrades from various parts of the Department, to pay our last tribute of love and respect to a brave and true soldier, a worthy comrade and an honored citizen.

Outside of our own Department the silent messenger has not been idle, but has sought out and claimed as his victims some of the most loved and honored of our comrades, — some whom we have known and followed in other days, and whom we have delighted to honor in later years. The summons came, and Grant, the brave, true, noble-hearted and magnanimous warrior and statesman, “gathered his mantle about him and lay down to pleasant dreams,” — brave and true in death as in life.

At his funeral, which occurred in the city of New York, and was one of the grandest and most imposing ever witnessed on this continent, our Department was represented by the Department Commander, Assistant Adjutant-General, with other members of the Staff; also, by Post 1 of New Bedford and Post 2 of this city, with delegations from other Posts, who faithfully represented the Department on that occasion, with credit to themselves and honor to the Department; and for which they have my sincere thanks.

And, later on, we were saddened and shocked by the sudden death of the old and beloved commander of the Army of the Potomac, — "Little Mac." He, our first love, and always our true and steadfast friend, passed on, loved and honored by those who knew him best, and by none more than his old comrades of the Army of the Potomac. These events can but remind us, my comrades, that time waits for no man, and that we, too, are growing old, and must soon pass on, to meet and greet the comrades that have gone before.

"Then you'll meet us, old comrades,
When over that river
The Angel of Death
Has carried us all;
Then we'll all join the ranks,
True comrades forever,
And we'll all answer, 'Here!'
At the final roll-call."

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

I have no words at my command, my comrades, to express to you my appreciation of and thanks for the grand work which this organization is accomplishing in our Department. Filled with the same loyal devotion and self-sacrificing zeal that possessed them, their mothers and sisters, during the dark days of the Rebellion, they have gone out, all over this Department, as ministering angels, carrying sunshine and gladness into many a desolate home, and making glad many a sad and lonely heart. During the year it has been not only my duty, but also my happy privilege, to assist them in word and deed as far as I possibly could, and my only regret is that I have not been able to do more to aid them. And I most heartily commend them and their noble work to the favorable consideration of the comrades of the Department, and for myself, I can only say that, from my heart of hearts, I bid them God-speed in the noble work in which they are engaged.

MEMORIAL DAY.

What a grand and hallowed inspiration was that which first suggested and gave to us a Memorial Day, a day in which we

gather around the graves of our fallen comrades, and as a token of our remembrance of the grand and heroic sacrifices which they made for their country and for humanity, strew their graves with the sweetest and fairest of spring flowers.

The reports that come from all parts of the Department indicate that the day was more universally and appropriately observed, both by our comrades and the people generally, than ever before. And I have been much gratified to note the disposition, not only on the part of the comrades of the Grand Army, but also on the part of the people generally, to discountenance everything that would tend to make this, to us, the most sacred and hallowed day in all the year, aught else but a Memorial Day; and I desire here to express, in behalf of my comrades, my thanks to the public press in the various parts of the State, for their words of reproof to those who would seek to make this a day of revelry and sports. I most heartily commend the custom, quite generally adopted by the comrades of this Department, of repairing to some place of public worship on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day, and there join with the people in memorial services suitable to the occasion, thus preparing not only ourselves but also the people for the more proper observance of this hallowed day, and I sincerely trust that this commendable custom may be adopted by every Post of this Department.

SONS OF VETERANS.

I am credibly informed by those in official position that this organization has made commendable progress in our Department during the past year, and I am also glad to know that the disagreements heretofore existing between the different branches of this organization have ceased to exist to any great extent; that today they are marching under one banner, and are seeking to accomplish the grand objects for which they were first organized, viz., "To aid the members of the Grand Army in caring for their helpless and disabled comrades, and to extend aid and protection to their widows and orphans."

I am aware that many comrades in this Department are opposed to this organization; but, comrades, while I am decidedly opposed to opening the doors of the Grand Army to any but those who are eligible to membership in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army, yet I do think that we ought not to forget that these are *our boys*, many of them just about the age that you and I were when the call came, and we left all, and went out to battle for country; and as they read or hear from our lips the thrilling experiences of the past, and learn what their fathers suffered and sacrificed in defence of country, can we blame them if there comes welling up in their hearts a desire to do something to aid in the noble work in which their fathers

are now engaged, and a wish to perpetuate, not only their memory, but the memory of their services and sacrifices after they shall have been laid away?

We cannot disregard the fact, my comrades, that we are growing old, and that in a few years at the furthest, we must lay down our work, and to other hands must be committed that which we now seek to accomplish; and to whom, I ask, shall this work be intrusted rather than to our sons? So that, so far as they prove themselves worthy, they should receive our encouragement and co-operation. To them I would say, by your acts and by your lives prove yourselves worthy of recognition at the hands of the Grand Army of the Republic, so that the question shall no longer be, whether we can afford to recognize you, but rather, Can we afford to do otherwise?

OUR SOLDIERS' HOME.

By the report of the Board of Trustees, which has already been placed in your hands, it will be seen that this institution is in a most prosperous and flourishing condition, a fact that must gladden the heart of every comrade who is at all familiar with the noble work that is thus being accomplished.

During the year there has been held, in this city, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic, aided by the Woman's Relief Corps and other organizations, a grand carnival, by which means upwards of \$60,000 was raised to aid in the commendable work that is thus being accomplished in behalf of the homeless and helpless wards of the Grand Army.

But comrades, this is our work, and this "*our Home*," and will ever stand as a monument to the fidelity, loyalty and zeal of the comrades of this Department, to the great principles of our organization. I sincerely believe that, as Posts and as individuals, we should heartily interest ourselves in this work, so that those who have the burden of this undertaking upon them may feel that they are not alone in the work of this noble enterprise.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The National Encampment, held in the city of Portland, Me., January 23-25, was conceded by all to be the most successful and enthusiastic ever held in the history of our organization. In its proceedings our own Department bore an honorable and conspicuous part, reflecting great credit, not only upon the nearly four thousand comrades themselves who participated in the preliminary exercises of the Encampment, but also upon the Department, which they so faithfully and honorably represented on that occasion, and for which they again have my heartiest thanks.

REUNION OF MASSACHUSETTS VETERANS.

September 3 and 4 there was held at the Point of Pines (so called) a reunion of Massachusetts veterans, that was, in many respects, a grand success; in others, to my mind at least, a sad failure. Pardon me, comrades, if I speak plainly upon this subject; and as I do so, it is with no desire to criticise or reflect upon any comrade, for I sincerely believe that the committee under whose auspices this gathering was held did everything in their power to make the occasion an enjoyable one to all who participated therein; and I fully realize the difficulties under which they labored and the embarrassments by which they were surrounded in making the selection of the place which they did for holding this reunion. I am heartily in favor of holding an annual reunion of Massachusetts veterans, to which we may go ourselves, and also take our wives, children and friends; where we may meet together and renew old acquaintances, revive old associations, and touch elbows again, as we did in the long ago. In fact, comrades, I believe that we do not do this half as much or often as we ought, for our own good and for the good of the rising generation, who cannot fail to catch the spirit and inspiration that come from such associations and such gatherings. But comrades, I am wholly and forever opposed to holding such reunions where rum flows as free as, or freer than water; where our comrades, leaving their homes and their loved ones, are to be subjected to such temptations as are connected with such gatherings, held under such circumstances. I believe that as an organization, and as veterans and comrades, we cannot afford to repeat this experience; and I sincerely trust that under whatever auspices the next reunion may be held, it may be in such a place, and under such circumstances, that we may be able to put our foot upon this thing, and thereby demonstrate the fact that good and true soldiers make good and true citizens.

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

Quite early in the year it came to the knowledge of the Department officers that the property wherein was located the pleasant rooms which have been used as Department Headquarters for the past three years, would soon be wanted for other purposes, and it consequently devolved upon us to seek new quarters. At the third quarterly meeting of the Council of Administration, Senior Vice-Commander Tobin, Assistant Adjutant-General Monroe, and Comrade McDonough of the Council, were appointed a committee to procure rooms for Department Headquarters; and as a result of their faithful labors, pleasant and suitable rooms were secured, and Department Headquarters established at No. 1 Pemberton Square, nearly opposite the old

headquarters, where for the present, at least, and I sincerely hope and trust for many years to come, may be found that tireless worker and devoted friend of the Grand Army, especially of this Department, the present Assistant Adjutant-General, Comrade A. C. Monroe, to whom this Department is under very great obligations for its most excellent standing among the Departments of the nation, and to whom I am personally under great obligations for the kindness and courtesy with which he has always responded to my calls for aid in the discharge of my official duties as Department Commander, for which I desire here and now, in the presence of the comrades of this Encampment, to express to him my sincere thanks and appreciation.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

I think I can safely say that no comrade who has ever held the honorable and responsible position of Department Commander was ever surrounded by a more earnest, devoted and self-sacrificing band of co-workers than it has been my good fortune to be. Words utterly fail to express my appreciation of their services, and the kind and courteous manner in which they have always responded to each and every call that has been made upon them; for which I desire, in my own behalf and in behalf of the Department, in this public manner to express to them my most sincere thanks.

I have neither time nor space here to speak of them and their faithful services individually, and do them justice; I can only say that if credit is due to any one for the success and prosperity that has attended us as a Department during the past year, I desire that it should go where, in my humble judgment, a very large share of it justly belongs, to these comrades who, by their earnest and devoted labors, have contributed so much to bring about these results.

PENSION LEGISLATION.

At the last annual Encampment of this Department, the eight-dollar measure (so called) was very thoroughly and ably discussed, and the merits and demerits of this question were very forcibly presented by different comrades.

As there has been some surprise manifested, and I have been somewhat criticised in a friendly way because of my vote upon that question, I trust that my comrades of this Encampment will bear with me a little, while I endeavor briefly to give you my views on this very important question.

First, let me say that I always have and do now question very seriously whether the time has arrived — whether it is politic or for the best interests of the Grand Army, or the veterans of the late war — to ask or demand the enactment by Congress of a universal service pension law, granting to every man who served

three months or more a pension, whether disabled or not. But whatever may have been the doubts that have existed in my mind relative to the wisdom or policy of this measure, they have all been dispelled and scattered when I come to consider the other all-important question, viz., Is the general government at the present time discharging its obligations and doing all that it ought to do for the men who risked everything, even their lives, that this nation might live? and I answer emphatically, *No, a thousand times no!* When I realize the fact, my comrades, for fact it is, which cannot be disputed nor gainsaid, that thousands, yes, tens of thousands, of my comrades and your comrades, brave men and true as ever stood in defence of country and flag, who for four long and weary years, in summer's heat and winter's cold, stood as a wall of living fire between the terrible onslaughts of treason and rebellion and this nation's very life, who saved it and made it all that it is to-day, are now suffering in want and misery, going down to their graves unthought of and uncared for by the government which they risked everything to save,—my blood leaps in my veins and my soul cries out, How long, oh, how long shall this people, the richest and most prosperous on all the face of this fair earth, suffer this thing to exist? Does any one present question for a moment the truth of the statement which I have just made? If so, my comrade, come with me, and I will take you, not to the slums of some city, nor to the wilds of some Western prairie, but to yonder hill, almost within the sound of my voice, and I will show you in our own Soldiers' Home over one hundred of these men, who but for this grand and noble institution would to-day be the inmates of some almshouse, and many of them long ere this would have filled a pauper's grave. Go with me, if you will, to the Secretary of our Board of Trustees, Past Department Commander Evans, and let him tell you the number of applications that are now on file, and how many he is compelled to turn away every week. *Why?* Because we have no room for them; and then remember that not one of these are entitled to or can receive a cent of pension; for it is a rule of the Home to admit only those who cannot obtain a pension from the government, under the present existing laws. It is because I realize these facts, my comrades, that I voted in favor of this measure, and am ready to vote again for this or any other measure, that will in whole or part bring relief to these unfortunate comrades, although it may not be, all things considered, such a measure as I would like to see adopted.

Do you ask if I have any suggestions to make as a remedy for this condition of affairs? I answer, Yes, I have; and I sincerely wish that this Department, whose influence in this and all other kindred matters is second to none, might step to the front and lead off in this or some other similar measure, which, I am quite sure, would meet the approval of a very large majority of

the veterans of the late war, and also of the great mass of the people, and which, I sincerely believe, would have such an influence upon our legislators that they would speedily come to our rescue.

First. I would respectfully demand of the government that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the late war, who were disabled whilst in the line of duty, should be liberally provided for, according to their disability.

Second. I would respectfully demand that all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the late war, who have become disabled since the war, should be provided for, to a certain extent, according to their disability and the merits of their case. And then I would go a step farther, and respectfully insist upon a graded system of pensions for all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the late war after they shall have arrived at a certain age. For instance, when a comrade shall have arrived at the age of fifty years, he shall receive four dollars per month; at fifty-five years of age, he shall receive eight dollars per month; at sixty years of age, he shall receive twelve dollars per month; at sixty-five years of age, he shall receive sixteen dollars per month; at seventy years of age, he shall receive twenty dollars per month; and so on through life. I may not have fixed the apportionment just right, and have neither the time nor the space here to work out this system in all its details, but I think, comrades, you comprehend my ideas relative to this question.

I have no sympathy with, nor do I take a particle of stock in, the argument so often advanced, that the government cannot afford to make liberal provision for its defenders and saviors; that to do so would bankrupt the nation; for I sincerely believe that statistics and facts which are indisputable, relative to the resources and wealth of this country, will show that no other nation on the face of the globe is so abundantly able to do this as is our own.

And if it is necessary to stop the payment of the national debt in order that these men who have periled and sacrificed so much might be properly provided for, then I say, let it stop; for I do not believe that it is the duty of one generation to save and redeem a nation by the outpouring of its very life-blood, and then, having done this, attempt to pay all the bills at the expense and suffering of the men who voluntarily came to the nation's rescue in her hour of peril. I firmly believe that, having made liberal provision for the redemption of all its financial obligations as fast as they mature, it is now high time that this government should make liberal provision for the men who saved it, and gave the financial standing which it now has at home and abroad.

Now, whilst I do not attempt to set myself up as an expert in the matter of pension legislation, yet I firmly believe that such

a measure as I have indicated, or something similar to it, would receive the hearty endorsement of this Encampment and of the comrades of this Department, and would greatly influence other departments in the same direction; and such a measure, I also believe, would receive the approbation of the great mass of the people.

OTHER LEGISLATION.

During the session of the Legislature of 1884, two important laws were enacted, both relating especially to the interests of our organization: One, authorizing any town or city to lease for a term of years to any Grand Army Post within its limits any public building or part thereof belonging to such city or town, to be used for Grand Army purposes.

Another, authorizing any city or town of this Commonwealth to appropriate money to aid any Grand Army Post located in such city or town in caring for needy comrades and their families, and providing that the money so appropriated may be turned over to the Post, to be expended under its direction.

These are measures which seem to me to be in the right direction, and which have already, in several instances that have come under my observation, resulted in material aid to some of the Posts of our Department; and I desire to congratulate you, my comrades, upon securing the benefits that are likely to come to us, as an organization, as a result of those laws. Another measure that was before the last Legislature, and which, in my humble judgment, ought to have passed without a single dissenting vote, was a bill presented by our excellent Senior Vice-Commander, Comrade Tobin, and known as the "Soldiers' and Sailors' Exemption Bill," the provisions of which were to exempt honorably discharged soldiers and sailors from the civil-service examination, so called.

I have neither time nor space here to enter into a discussion upon the merits and demerits of this question. Suffice it to say that I thoroughly believe in it; and if you ask me why, I answer, emphatically, Because I believe that it is just and right; and I further believe that it is an act of gross injustice to the men who were at the front during those years of strife and suffering, periling their lives and sacrificing their opportunities, giving to their country the very best years of their lives only to be told, if they were so fortunate as to return to their homes and loved ones, that their opportunities were gone, and they must stand aside to make room for those who, during all those years and the years that have intervened since, have been preparing themselves to reap the benefits that have been secured to them by the valor and bravery of the men whom they now seek to thrust aside. Believing in the justice and equity of this measure, as I sincerely do, I

trust and hope that the present Legislature may see to it, before they turn their steps homeward, that this measure becomes one of the laws of the Commonwealth, which has always manifested such a deep and liberal interest in the welfare of her old soldiers and sailors.

CONCLUSION.

When, a year ago, the honorable position of Department Commander was conferred upon me, God and myself only know with what hesitancy and trembling I assumed its duties and responsibilities. I realized to some extent the disadvantages under which I must labor, in the prosecution of the work before me. I will briefly narrate some of them. Lack of experience in Grand Army matters; distance from Department Headquarters; limited acquaintance with comrades, especially in the eastern part of the State; and last, but not least, I realized that it was no small task for any comrade, be he ever so well qualified, to follow even afar off in the footsteps of my predecessors in this office, who by their devoted and efficient labors have contributed so much towards the upbuilding of this Department; but as I remarked a few moments since, I firmly resolved that, to the very utmost of my ability, nothing should be lacking on my part to make the year one of prosperity and success; and as I hastily review the past this evening, I think I may congratulate both myself and you, my comrades, that to some extent my hopes have been realized, and that our beloved Department has certainly taken no backward step during the year. I cannot express to you, my comrades, my appreciation of and thanks for the valuable and devoted services which you have rendered both to me and the Department during the year. The kind, fraternal greetings and courtesies that have been extended to me by the comrades all over the State have touched my heart and have made light and pleasant the labors of the year, the remembrance of which shall linger with me while life shall last, and for which, from the depth of my heart, they have my thanks over and over again.

I earnestly bespeak for my successor, whoever he may be, the same loyal and devoted support and co-operation that you have always accorded me, to the end that our Department may continue to prosper and to hold the same high and honorable position which it now holds among the Departments of the nation.

Finally, my comrades, let us be true to each other, true to ourselves, true to our beloved organization and the grand and noble principles which it represents; and with an earnest desire in my heart that God may bless and prosper us as a Department, and that success and prosperity may attend my comrades as individuals, I now await the further pleasure of this Encampment.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1886.

JOHN W. HERSEY, *Department Commander.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report of the business transacted in this office the past year.

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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1884 | 180 |
| “ Comrades same date | 16,637 |
| “ Posts, Dec. 31, 1885 | 182 |
| “ Comrades reported same date | 17,965 |
| Net gain during the year | 1,328 |

The net gain, by quarters, is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz.:—

| | |
|--|-------------|
| First quarter, ending March 31 | 212 |
| Second quarter, ending June 30 | 531 |
| Third quarter, ending Sept. 30 | 263 |
| Fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31 | 322 |
| | <hr/> 1,328 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
|--|--------|
| Number of comrades in good standing, Dec. 31, 1884 | 16,637 |
| “ “ gained by muster-in | 1,911 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 319 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement | 1,791 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total number gained | 4,021 |
| | <hr/> |
| Aggregate | 20,658 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 219 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 49 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 323 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 2,094 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge | 8 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total loss | 2,693 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 1,328 |

I herewith present a detailed report of the changes that have taken place in each Post the past year.

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 73 | 7 | ..... | 1 | 8 | 81 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 5 | 76 |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 104 | 2 | ..... | 6 | 8 | 112 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 8 | ..... | 13 | 99 |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | 102 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 117 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 11 | ..... | 13 | 104 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 139 | 20 | 5 | 3 | 28 | 167 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 4 | 163 |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 82 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 86 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... | 8 | 78 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 43 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 45 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 4 | ..... | 5 | 40 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 101 | 8 | 3 | ..... | 11 | 112 | 4 | ..... | 4 | 4 | ..... | 12 | 100 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 43 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 3 | 46 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 46 |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 232 | 33 | 7 | 6 | 46 | 278 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 13 | ..... | 24 | 254 |
| Joseph P. Rice..... | 69 | 28 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 28 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 26 |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | 52 | 3 | ..... | 26 | 29 | 81 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 28 | ..... | 29 | 52 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 112 | 30 | 3 | 1 | 34 | 146 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | ..... | 6 | 141 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 65 | 2 | ..... | 10 | 12 | 77 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 13 | ..... | 17 | 60 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 94 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 97 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 5 | ..... | 7 | 90 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 108 | 7 | ..... | 5 | 12 | 120 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | ..... | 4 | 116 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 98 | 19 | ..... | 1 | 20 | 118 | ..... | 2 | 15 | ..... | ..... | 17 | 101 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 118 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 135 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 6 | 129 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 23 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 22 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 22 |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 135 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 138 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 136 |
| Charles D. Sanford..... | 79 | 89 | 13 | 1 | 12 | 26 | 115 | 1 | 2 | ..... | 9 | ..... | 12 | 103 |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 95 | 6 | 2 | ..... | 8 | 103 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 99 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 49 | 5 | ..... | 15 | 20 | 69 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 9 | ..... | 11 | 58 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 171 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 16 | 187 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 7 | ..... | 8 | 179 |
| Joseph E. Wilder..... | 83 | 30 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 32 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 30 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 31 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 9 | 40 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 11 | ..... | 14 | 26 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 36 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 39 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 2 | ..... | 5 | 34 |
| William L. Baker..... | 86 | 142 | 48 | 1 | 8 | 57 | 199 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 11 | ..... | 15 | 184 |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | 71 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 76 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 5 | ..... | 8 | 68 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 84 | 7 | ..... | 5 | 12 | 96 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 90 |
| John H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 183 | 11 | 2 | 44 | 57 | 240 | 3 | ..... | 1 | 81 | ..... | 85 | 155 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 146 | 4 | ..... | 6 | 10 | 156 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 8 | ..... | 15 | 141 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 27 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 30 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 28 |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 57 | 12 | ..... | 1 | 13 | 70 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 14 | ..... | 15 | 55 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 55 | 8 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 63 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 62 |
| Revere..... | 94 | 70 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 72 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 70 |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | 45 | 7 | 2 | 13 | 22 | 67 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 14 | ..... | 17 | 50 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 28 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 29 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 24 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 44 | 5 | ..... | 7 | 12 | 56 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 8 | ..... | 11 | 45 |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | 27 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 32 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 30 |
| Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 50 | 3 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 54 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 52 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 70 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 81 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 4 | ..... | 7 | 74 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 28 | 10 | ..... | 27 | 37 | 65 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11 | ..... | 11 | 54 |
| Huntington F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 56 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | 60 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 59 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 64 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 77 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | 7 | 70 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 65 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 67 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 62 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 39 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 44 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 5 | 39 |
| Otis W. Wallace..... | 106 | 58 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | 62 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 59 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 47 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 52 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 5 | 47 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 81 | 4 | ..... | 10 | 14 | 95 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 19 | ..... | 19 | 76 |
| Erickson..... | 109 | 35 | 5 | 4 | ..... | 9 | 44 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 42 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 54 | 3 | ..... | 7 | 10 | 64 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 14 | ..... | 19 | 45 |
| Joseph E. Simmons..... | 111 | 36 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 37 | ..... | 1 | 4 | 1 | ..... | 6 | 31 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 43 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 14 | 57 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 6 | 51 |
| Edward W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 98 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 17 | 115 | 1 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 110 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 62 | 2 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 65 | 1 | 4 | ..... | 3 | ..... | 8 | 57 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 37 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 4 | 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11 | ..... | 11 | 30 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 73 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 89 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 23 | ..... | 26 | 63 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 29 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 30 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 34 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 35 | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 31 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 36 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 38 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 37 |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 216 | 39 | 9 | 8 | 56 | 272 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 17 | | 25 | 247 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 147 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 158 | 158 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 16 | 142 | 142 | 142 |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 60 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 21 | 81 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 26 | 65 | 65 | 109 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 101 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 117 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 109 | 109 | 47 |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 48 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 50 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 47 | 47 | 205 |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 191 | 21 | 1 | 21 | 212 | 212 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 75 | 75 | 205 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 70 | 9 | 2 | 11 | 81 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 23 | 27 | 27 | 103 |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 31 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 49 | 49 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 30 | 30 | 16 |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 106 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 13 | 119 | 3 | 13 | 16 | 16 | 103 | 103 | 30 |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | 26 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 39 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 30 | 30 | 16 |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 41 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 52 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 16 | 36 | 36 | 50 |
| George M. Thomas..... | 131 | 51 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 58 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 51 | 51 | 51 | 31 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 44 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 51 | 49 | 1 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 31 | 31 | 48 |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | 39 | 1 | 9 | 10 | 49 | 49 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 48 | 24 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 48 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 57 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 39 |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 25 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 72 |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 47 | 1 | 8 | 14 | 39 | 77 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 72 | 72 | 65 |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 25 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 77 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 11 | 65 | 65 | 73 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 64 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 76 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 47 | 47 | 73 |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 62 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 76 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 47 | 47 | 73 |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 86 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 89 | 89 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 26 | 26 | 43 |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 43 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 31 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 92 | 92 | 101 |
| Bunside..... | 142 | 28 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 31 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 20 | 105 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 41 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 43 | 113 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 26 | 26 | 40 |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 83 | 9 | 1 | 10 | 93 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 40 | 40 | 43 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 104 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 15 | 119 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 18 | 101 | 101 | 20 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 20 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 113 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 105 | 105 | 26 |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 103 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 113 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 26 | 40 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 27 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 53 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 43 |
| Maj. George L. Stearns..... | 149 | 43 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 53 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 13 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 12 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 44 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 46 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 61 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 41 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 61 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 37 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 41 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 61 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 60 | 5 | 5 | 65 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 61 | 61 | 61 | 48 |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 41 | 8 | 2 | 10 | 51 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 57 | 57 | 57 | 37 |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 62 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 65 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 40 |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 51 | 8 | 3 | 11 | 62 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 123 |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | 36 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 39 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 40 |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser..... | 158 | 39 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 46 | 46 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 40 | 40 | 123 |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | 105 | 19 | 4 | 3 | 26 | 131 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 123 | 123 | 32 |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 32 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 37 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 32 | 32 | 60 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 56 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 65 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 48 | 11 | 1 | 12 | 60 | 60 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 60 | 60 | 24 |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 46 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 52 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 21 | 4 | 4 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 48 |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 36 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 48 | 48 | 70 |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 53 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 73 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 70 | 70 | 21 |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 21 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 23 | 23 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 49 | 49 | 36 |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 42 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 36 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 38 | 38 | 27 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 31 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 38 | 38 | 27 |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 27 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 39 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 38 | 38 | 27 |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 27 | 27 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 38 | 38 | 18 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 19 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 18 | 38 |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 35 | 8 | 12 | 4 | 27 | 47 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 38 | 38 | 81 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 68 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 17 | 85 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 81 | 21 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 20 | 5 | 5 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 21 | 21 | 67 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | 43 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 25 | 68 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 67 | 67 | 30 |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 26 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 35 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 30 | 30 | 20 |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 20 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 20 | 36 |
| Samue F. Woods..... | 179 | 27 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 55 | 55 | 33 |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | 27 | 26 | 4 | 4 | 30 | 57 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 55 | 55 | 19 |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 33 | 33 | 33 |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton..... | 182 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 19 | 19 |

Of the one hundred and eighty-two Posts comprising this Department, one hundred and twenty-one have gained in membership, twelve have the same number as one year ago, and forty-nine have lost in number. Post making the largest per cent in gain is Post 180 of Concord, it having more than doubled its membership. Number of rejections during the year, eighty-two. Two hundred and nineteen comrades have died during the year, — an excess over last year of twenty-four.

Three new Posts have been mustered during the year, as follows : —

Galen Orr Post No. 181 of Needham ; mustered June 5, 1885 ; charter members, 25.

Cyrus M. Wheaton Post No. 182 of Somerset ; mustered Oct. 16, 1885 ; charter members, 19.

Chas. C. Smith Post No. 183 of South Hadley ; mustered Jan. 14, 1886 ; charter members, 25.

The gain of Posts by counties is as follows : Bristol, one ; Hampden, one ; Norfolk, one. Total, three.

I herewith present a tabulated report, giving in detail the strength of each county, number of each Post, the number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1885, with date of charter.

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 51, Feb. | 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 47, Mar. | 15, 1882 |
| 55, Provincetown, | 37, Sept. | 23, 1884 |

Total — Posts, 3; members, 135.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|-----------|----------|
| 79, North Adams, | 103, Mar. | 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 205, Mar. | 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 75, June | 12, 1870 |
| 158, Housatonic, | 40, Aug. | 23, 1863 |
| 177, Lee, | 30, Nov. | 6, 1884 |
| 178, Otis, | 20, Nov. | 28, 1884 |

Total — Posts, 6; members, 473.

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 253, Oct. | 14, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 161, Jan. | 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 215, Jan. | 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 76, Feb. | 29, 1868 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 101, June | 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 20, April | 27, 1881 |
| 170, Mansfield, | 38, July | 31, 1884 |
| 182, Somerset, | 19, Oct. | 16, 1885 |

Total — Posts, 8; members, 883.

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|------------|----------|
| 5, Lynn, | 949, Feb. | 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 225, Nov. | 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 343, Dec. | 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 160, Jan. | 21, 1868 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 269, Jan. | 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 243, Feb. | 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 117, April | 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 46, Sept. | 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 179, Mar. | 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 155, June | 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 141, June | 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 50, June | 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 52, April | 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 74, Feb. | 1, 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 54, July | 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 59, Dec. | 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 76, Aug. | 18, 1869 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 57, Dec. | 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 31, Jan. | 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 65, Mar. | 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 103, Jan. | 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 12, Jan. | 10, 1874 |
| 152, Essex, | 40, Jan. | 22, 1883 |

Total — Posts, 23; members, 3,490.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------|-----------|---------|
| 17, Orange, | 89, Aug. | 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 23, March | 4, 1875 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 84, South Deerfield, | 26, April | 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 62, June | 15, 1869 |
| 150, Montague, | 43, Jan. | 12, 1883 |
| 162, Turners Falls, | 60, Jan. | 25, 1884 |
| 164, Conway, | 24, April | 29, 1884 |
| 171, Northfield, | 27, Aug. | 15, 1884 |
| 174, Greenfield, | 81, Aug. | 29, 1884 |

Total — Posts, 9; members, 435.

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|-----------|----------|
| 16, Springfield, | 463, Aug. | 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 155, Jan. | 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 112, Nov. | 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 70, Oct. | 7, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 47, July | 18, 1881 |
| 155, Monson, | 61, May | 26, 1883 |

Total — Posts, 6; members, 880.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| 85, Ware, | 34, May | 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 184, Aug. | 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 45, Nov. | 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 105, Oct. | 31, 1882 |
| 166, East Hampton, | 70, June | 17, 1884 |
| 176, Huntington, | 67, Oct. | 9, 1884 |

Total — Posts, 6; members, 505.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------|----------|
| 4, Melrose, | 63, Feb. | 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 46, March | 8, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 94, May | 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 205, Aug. | 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 33, July, | 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 35, Aug. | 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 111, Oct. | 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridgeport, | 264, Oct. | 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 85, Nov. | 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 54, May | 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 141, Oct. | 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 353, Jan. | 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 131, Jan. | 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 50, Jan. | 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 114, June | 26, 1868 |
| 57, E. Cambridge, | 158, June | 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 104, July | 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 163, July | 23, 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 100, Aug. | 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 101, Dec. | 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 58, Dec. | 20, 1871 |
| 115, Groton, | 30, July | 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 37, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 247, Oct. | 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 72, May | 2, 1883 |
| 139, Somerville, | 65, Aug. | 18, 1870 |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 142, Framingham, | 26, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 26, | May 22, 1872 |
| 156, Everett, | 57, | June 14, 1883 |
| 161, Woburn, | 60, | Jan. 23, 1884 |
| 163, S. Framingham, | 48, | Mar. 25, 1884 |
| 180, Concord, | 55, | Dec. 20, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 32; members, 3,186. | | |

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 205, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 76, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 60, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 68, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 90, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 28, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 70, | June 24, 1869 |
| 98, Cohasset, | 30, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 102, Milton, | 59, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 45, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 30, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 142, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 36, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 31, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 43, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 92, | May 22, 1871 |
| 157, Walpole, | 37, | July 21, 1883 |
| 169, Norwood, | 36, | July 21, 1884 |
| 181, Needham, | 38, | June 5, 1885 |
| Total — Posts, 19; members, 1,211. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 78, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 186, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 63, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 90, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 116, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 129, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 136, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 30, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 62, | July 29, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 31, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 51, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 47, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 27, | June 11, 1870 |
| 154, Kingston, | 48, | May 24, 1883 |
| 165, Duxbury, | 48, | May 19, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 1,142. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 220, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 412, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 214, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 440, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 54, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 128, | Sept. 17, 1867 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 26, Roxbury, | 164, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 70, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 432, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 254, | Oct. 8, 1868 |
| 92, Brighton, | 55, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 110, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 48, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 40, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 159, East Boston, | 123, | Sept. 7, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 2,764. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 601, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 239, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 125, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 73, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 32, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 45, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 31, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 102, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 58, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 34, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 62, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 112, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 25, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 28, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 99, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 78, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 40, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 26, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 52, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 22, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 99, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 24, | June 28, 1869 |
| 105, Upton, | 39, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 42, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 63, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 109, | June 1, 1870 |
| 129, Millville, | 30, | April 25, 1883 |
| 131, Leicester, | 50, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 24, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 39, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 33, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 73, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 153, Winchendon, | 61, | Mar. 6, 1883 |
| 160, W. Brookfield, | 32, | Sept. 18, 1883 |
| 167, Whitinsville, | 21, | June 18, 1884 |
| 168, Southbridge, | 49, | June 27, 1884 |
| 172, Bolton, | 18, | Aug. 18, 1884 |
| 173, Sturbridge, | 38, | Aug. 26, 1884 |
| 175, Lancaster, | 21, | Sept. 5, 1884 |
| 179, Barre, | 36, | Dec. 11, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 40; members, 2,785. | | |

There have been issued, during the year, fifteen General Orders, one hundred and three Special Orders, and three Circulars.

There has been expended for relief, during the past year, \$38,212.56, as follows: First quarter, \$11,572.04; second quarter, \$9,717.50; third quarter, \$7,084.84; fourth quarter, \$9,838.18.

In closing, I return my thanks to the Department Commander for his uniform kindness, and to the Department officers, official Staff, and the officers and comrades of the various Posts, for their courtesy in my official relations with them.

I have the honor to be,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1886.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I hereby submit my report of the operations of this office during the past year.

The following tables, sustained by complete vouchers, contain a full statement of the receipts and expenditures:—

RECEIPTS.

| 1885. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Cash on hand as per last report | | \$2,835 62 |
| Received for dues first quarter, 1885 | | |
| “ “ second quarter, 1885 | | 1,303 96 |
| “ “ third quarter, 1885 | | 1,386 12 |
| “ “ fourth quarter, 1885 | | 1,408 72 |
| “ “ books and blanks | | 333 81 |
| “ “ badges | | 1,309 80 |
| “ “ sundries | | 174 04 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$8,752 07 |

EXPENDITURES.

| 1885. | <i>Cr.</i> | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | | \$1,094 54 |
| “ “ dues | | 518 72 |
| “ rent and care of office | | 426 97 |
| “ salaries | | 1,191 63 |
| “ printing, books, blanks etc. | | 893 32 |
| “ Tremont Temple for Convention | | 20 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| <i>Carried forward</i> | | \$4,145 18 |

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| <i>Brought forward</i> | \$4,145 18 | |
| Paid sundries (postals, postage, telegrams, clerk hire, office expense) | 424 55 | |
| “ organizing new Posts | 8 27 | |
| “ Department Commander, travelling expenses | 130 45 | |
| “ “ Headquarters at Portland | 42 75 | |
| “ C O. Eaton, painting flags | 22 15 | |
| “ painting rooms, signs, moving and fitting up new headquarters | 125 27 | |
| Total expenditures | | \$4,898 62 |
| Balance to new account | | \$3,853 45 |
| Vouchers cover the expenses. | | |

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 27, 1876.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| 1886. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$3,853 45 | |
| Received for dues | 1,424 92 | |
| “ “ books and blanks | 69 63 | |
| “ “ badges | 108 60 | |
| “ “ sundries | 44 38 | |
| Total receipts | | \$5,500 98 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| 1886. | <i>Cr.</i> | |
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$151 50 | |
| “ “ “ dues | 179 65 | |
| “ rent and care of office | 32 00 | |
| “ salaries | 108 33 | |
| “ printing, books and blanks | 86 67 | |
| “ inspections | 389 95 | |
| “ sundries (postage, express, clerk hire, office expenses) | 158 48 | |
| | | \$1,106 58 |
| Balance to new account | | \$4,394 40 |

ASSETS.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash on hand | \$4,394 40 | |
| Value of supplies on hand | 371 25 | |
| Office furniture | 413 50 | |
| Colors | 30 00 | |
| Due from Posts for supplies | 12 10 | |
| Total | | \$5,221 25 |

NO LIABILITIES.

With many thanks to the Department Commander and officers of the Staff,

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

W. W. SCOTT,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.

BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1886.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following as the report of my Department, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1885:—

One Post was organized by me previous to that time, 181, Needham. Since September 30, two more, 182 of Somerset and 183 of South Hadley, have been formed and are in good condition. I have attended the inspections of several Posts, have installed the officers of two Posts, and with other members of the Staff and Council, have attended two Department courts-martial, each occupying much time.

I have had the honor of accompanying the Commander upon both occasions when the Department paraded outside the State, and have also with him attended several camp-fires.

Realizing at the beginning of the year that very little increase could be expected from the formation of new Posts, I endeavored at the meeting held in April to impress upon the minds of the Assistant Inspectors the duty of urging upon the various Posts the necessity of increasing their membership, both by reinstatement and by muster-in of new members.

The report annexed will show that the growth of this Department has been most gratifying. By way of contrast, I present the reports of the two years, 1884 and 1885.

My report includes returns from 181 Posts in 1885, as contrasted with 175 in 1884.

| | 1884. | 1885. | Gain. |
|---|--------|--------|-------|
| Number of comrades in good standing, | 16,206 | 17,647 | 1,441 |
| “ Posts where the ritual is memorized | 114 | 129 | 15 |
| “ Posts where the work is properly performed | 112 | 126 | 14 |
| “ Posts where the members are uniformed | 140 | 162 | 22 |
| Full uniform (hat or cap, blouse, pants and belt) | | 30 | |
| Hat, blouse and belt | | 54 | |
| Hat and blouse, or hat and belt | | 78 | |
| Number of Posts where officers wear rank badges | 149 | 171 | 22 |
| “ Posts where side-arms are owned by Posts | 111 | 129 | 18 |

TWENTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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| | 1884. | 1885. | |
|---|-------|-------|---------|
| Number of Posts where guards are armed, | 143 | 156 | 13 |
| “ Posts where badge is presented | 117 | 136 | 19 |
| “ Posts where officers are regular | 163 | 168 | 5 |
| “ members suspended | 863 | 826 | 37 |
| “ members dropped | 366 | 450 | loss 84 |
| “ Posts where records are properly kept | 169 | 178 | gain 9 |

| | 1884. | 1885. | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Amount of Post Funds, \$36,845.13 | \$41,990.36 | gain \$5,145.23 | |
| “ Relief Funds, 120,569.43 | 113,381.51 | loss, 7,187.92 | |

| | 1885. | 1884. | Gain. |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Number of Posts having Relief Funds . | 151 | 135 | 16 |
| “ “ “ other property . | 144 | 96 | 48 |

| | 1884. | 1885. | Gain. |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Amount of other property . | \$90,009.94 | \$97,974.63 | \$7,964.69 |

To this should be added a sum not less than \$30,000, which has been transferred to building associations.

| | 1884. | 1885. | Loss. |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Number of Posts paying regular benefits, | 32 | 31 | 1 |

| | 1884. | 1885. | Gain. |
|--|-------------|-------------|----------|
| Expended for charity to September 30 . . . | \$35,793.31 | \$36,770.03 | \$976.42 |

| | Comrades. | Not Comrades. |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Dispensed as follows, 1884 | 1,234 | 927 |
| “ “ 1885 | 1,543 | 896 |

| | Excellent. | Good. | Fair. | Poor. |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Relative standing, 1884 | 53 | 83 | 24 | 15 |
| “ “ 1885 | 71 | 84 | 16 | 10 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Is the work properly performed? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman.. | 1 | 241 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | 7 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 210 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Unif., Side'ms | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | None |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 156 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 11 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 952 | Yes | Yes | 1/4 | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 200 | 46 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 46 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | 380 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Unif., Side'ms | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 81 | 20 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 79 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Reno..... | 9 | 88 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | 21 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 583 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 89 | 29 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 202 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blse., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | 1 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 204 | Yes | Yes | 1/2 | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 1 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 186 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 4 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 34 | No | No | Yes | Cord, Wreath, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 5 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 419 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 115 | 10 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 458 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 80 | 45 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 82 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | None |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 29 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cord, Wreath, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 15 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 232 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 51 | None |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | None |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 54 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 126 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cord, Wreath, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | 4 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 127 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 38 | None |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 73 | No | No | Yes | Cord, Wreath, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | 2 |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 33 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 14 | None |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 159 | Yes | Yes | 3/4 | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 46 | None |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 44 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | None |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 34 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | Yes | No | No | Yes | 15 | 3 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 104 | Yes | Yes | 1/2 | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 29 | 11 |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 264 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 75 | None |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| Washington..... | 32 | 80 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 83 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 4 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 223 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 49 | 64 |
| Theodore Winthrop.. | 35 | 410 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 105 | 28 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | None |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 99 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 11 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 55 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | None |
| Needham..... | 39 | 350 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 44 | 3 |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 140 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | None |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 151 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 24 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 356 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 73 | 3 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 4 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 34 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 160 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 3 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 217 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 253 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt, Sw'd | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | 38 |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 27 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | 1 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 240 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 27 | 7 |
| Union..... | 50 | 119 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 16 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 76 | Yes | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 112 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 28 | 8 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | 25 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 1 |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | 33 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 109 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 26 | 8 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 154 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 7 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 201 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 50 | 87 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 76 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |

MASSACHUSETTS G.A.R., FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30, 1885.

| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| None | \$3 00 | \$4 00 | \$174 87 | \$800 07 | Yes | \$1,150 00 | Yes | \$2 00 | \$20 00 | 15 | 10 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 52 52 | 954 46 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 276 86 | 6 | 12 | Excellent |
| 10 | 4 00 | 2 60 | 53 80 | 1,616 15 | Yes | 1,156 02 | No | ..... | 503 85 | 21 | 37 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 68 05 | 609 47 | Yes | 218 50 | No | ..... | 85 88 | 1 | 4 | Excellent |
| 15 | 6 00 | 3 00 | 345 72 | 5,225 31 | No | ..... | Yes | 4 00 | 5,673 96 | 264 | 42 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 424 03 | 43 45 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 246 52 | 6 | 8 | Good |
| None | 3 50 | 3 00 | 217 45 | 1,190 51 | Yes | 5,207 96 | No | ..... | 474 64 | 42 | 1 | Excellent |
| 5 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 67 58 | 636 44 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 131 29 | 12 | 6 | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 215 62 | 575 04 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 275 00 | 9 | None | Excellent |
| 18 | 3 50 | 2 00 | 255 85 | 348 92 | Yes | 3,704 95 | No | ..... | 1,174 74 | 81 | 22 | Excellent |
| 2 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2,954 08 | ..... | Yes | 374 58 | No | ..... | 110 17 | 3 | 8 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 70 91 | 723 80 | Yes | 555 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 739 95 | 33 | 22 | Good |
| 5 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 76 55 | 400 00 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 250 00 | 10 | 4 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 120 00 | 323 53 | Yes | 250 00 | Yes | 2 50 | 47 90 | 2 | 1 | Fair |
| 12 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 152 60 | 18 13 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 335 00 | 60 | 8 | Excellent |
| 13 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2,453 74 | 1,729 56 | Yes | 1,574 50 | No | ..... | 222 93 | 10 | 19 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 21 11 | 257 80 | Yes | 5 00 | No | ..... | 42 00 | 3 | 3 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 474 85 | 554 50 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 17 27 | 2 | 1 | Good |
| None | 6 00 | 3 00 | 4,068 99 | 3,238 17 | Yes | 4,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 658 65 | 16 | 14 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 63 83 | 117 72 | Yes | 90 00 | No | ..... | 40 00 | 4 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 81 90 | 657 87 | Yes | 175 00 | No | ..... | 137 00 | 3 | None | Good |
| 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 214 61 | 3-3 49 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 155 00 | 8 | 5 | Good |
| 2 | 2 60 | 4 00 | 24 94 | 3,651 22 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 434 75 | 7 | 9 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 134 31 | 16 35 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 38 50 | 4 | 2 | Fair |
| None | 1 00 | 60 | 15 09 | 208 60 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 178 66 | 5 | 1 | Fair |
| 2 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 141 76 | 149 42 | Yes | 260 71 | No | ..... | 312 25 | 12 | 14 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 33 71 | 39 57 | Yes | 86 52 | Yes | 2 00 | 50 00 | 5 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 18 24 | 110 00 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | None | Good |
| 4 | 2 60 | 3 00 | 173 60 | 2,022 91 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 222 00 | 10 | 26 | Excellent |
| 3 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1,201 64 | 868 26 | Yes | 1,050 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 296 90 | 26 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 2 00 | 241 70 | 3,122 21 | Yes | 1,120 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 151 53 | 5 | 1 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 26 90 | 137 00 | Yes | 275 00 | No | ..... | 128 00 | 12 | 6 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 32 18 | 392 12 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 123 58 | 5 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 93 05 | 914 15 | Yes | 778 41 | Yes | 1 00 | 778 41 | 8 | ..... | Excellent |
| 11 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 936 11 | ..... | Yes | 1,600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 491 51 | 36 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 4 10 | 1,100 24 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 232 15 | 5 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 1 50 | 1 50 | 133 63 | 498 48 | Yes | 1,300 00 | No | ..... | 383 24 | 9 | 14 | Good |
| None | 1 60 | 1 00 | 306 00 | 300 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 51 66 | 5 | 3 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 231 87 | 253 03 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 971 00 | 78 | 61 | Good |
| 4 | 2 75 | 4 00 | 20 41 | 851 05 | Yes | 1,600 00 | No | ..... | 229 49 | 11 | 29 | Excellent |
| 6 | 2 00 | 1 50 | 15 59 | 243 02 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 130 75 | 10 | 3 | Excellent |
| 16 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1,948 15 | 1,598 81 | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 1,579 63 | 23 | 19 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 74 00 | 3,338 38 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 284 00 | 5 | 5 | Excellent |
| None | 2 65 | 2 00 | 15 54 | 154 04 | Yes | 125 00 | No | ..... | 85 25 | 1 | None | Excellent |
| 4 | 3 75 | 3 00 | 622 59 | 1,524 08 | Yes | 1,399 87 | No | ..... | 154 50 | 8 | 1 | Excellent |
| 24 | 2 00 | 6 00 | 293 75 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 600 00 | 15 | None | Good |
| 17 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 5,095 48 | ..... | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 732 47 | 42 | 20 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 26 17 | 505 26 | Yes | 225 00 | No | ..... | 75 25 | 2 | 2 | Good |
| 5 | 4 00 | 2 00 | 200 57 | 8 22 | Yes | 10,000 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 666 75 | 30 | 6 | Excellent |
| 6 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 25 00 | 723 91 | Yes | 800 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 572 60 | 14 | 10 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 371 74 | 114 57 | Yes | 834 40 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 1 | None | Excellent |
| None | 1 70 | 2 00 | 379 55 | 305 64 | Yes | 154 00 | No | ..... | 150 56 | 6 | 7 | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 167 52 | 118 70 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 160 47 | 7 | None | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 51 45 | 277 55 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 15 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 32 | 1 38 | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | 5 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 1 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 49 85 | 638 49 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 241 31 | 14 | 3 | Excellent |
| 6 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 456 37 | 1,801 22 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 321 05 | 7 | 8 | Excellent |
| 12 | 15 00 | 4 00 | 338 84 | 11,594 64 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 862 04 | 19 | 8 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 1 20 | 45 58 | 389 57 | Yes | 50 00 | No | | 24 00 | 6 | None | Good |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 46 | 420 00 | Yes | 50 00 | No | | 32 50 | 1 | 5 | Good |

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|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 99 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 1 |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 108 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 156 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | 4 |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 77 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 42 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | 5 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 101 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 46 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 245 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 80 | 10 |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | 27 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | No | No | No | Yes | 14 | 1 |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 47 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | 16 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 132 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 34 | 18 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 93 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 116 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 25 | None |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 98 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 1 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 122 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 38 | None |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 22 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | 12 | None |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 135 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 97 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 99 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 28 | 1 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 7 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 184 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 48 | 2 |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 30 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 3 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 14 | 2 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 36 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | No | No | No | No | No | 11 | 1 |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 181 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | None |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 72 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 2 |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 165 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 27 | 16 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 140 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | None |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 62 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Revere..... | 94 | 70 | No | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 7 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 27 | Yes | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 1 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 3 |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | None |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 1 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 1 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 2 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | 3 |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 61 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | 1 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 46 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 75 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 4 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 42 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 22 | 11 |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 31 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Belt | No | No | No | No | Yes | 11 | None |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 110 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 32 | 1 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 57 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | 20 | 3 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 28 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | No | No | No | No | 11 | 9 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 70 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | 15 | 8 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 30 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 32 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 13 | None |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 233 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 44 | 8 |

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| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| None | \$2 00 | \$2 00 | \$40 78 | \$1,888 89 | Yes | \$500 00 | No | ..... | \$204 90 | 10 | 3 | Excellent |
| 8 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 40 60 | 1,460 86 | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | 215 36 | 4 | 8 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 112 56 | 32 89 | Yes | 1,199 36 | No | ..... | 113 30 | 11 | 5 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 49 30 | 1,062 97 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 254 14 | 25 | 5 | Good |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 26 96 | 102 54 | Yes | 565 00 | No | ..... | 5 22 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 25 91 | 577 68 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 68 25 | 5 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 89 38 | 816 32 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 111 92 | 1 | 2 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 922 00 | 403 44 | Yes | 1,436 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 714 25 | 37 | 4 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 1 00 | 70 01 | 33 44 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 2 25 | 11 | 2 | Good |
| 7 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 146 54 | 124 19 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 13 68 | None | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 22 73 | 1,002 99 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 208 96 | 4 | 6 | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 126 00 | 663 00 | Yes | 355 00 | No | ..... | 504 90 | 11 | 13 | Good |
| 4 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 11 91 | 26 31 | Yes | 2,365 00 | No | ..... | 90 93 | 2 | 5 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 13 39 | 1,400 00 | Yes | 1,300 00 | No | ..... | 478 00 | 10 | 3 | Good |
| 14 | 1 75 | 3 00 | 38 92 | 543 75 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 204 01 | 12 | 4 | Good |
| 1 | 4 00 | 3 00 | 263 55 | 1,745 11 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 254 21 | 6 | 5 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 50 | 18 10 | 242 22 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 24 06 | None | ..... | Fair |
| 1 | 2 60 | 2 00 | 48 60 | 453 97 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 224 35 | 9 | 7 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 481 12 | ..... | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 230 15 | 5 | 8 | Good |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 34 57 | 2,158 02 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 95 04 | 5 | 14 | Good |
| 3 | 2 60 | 4 00 | 387 03 | 73 14 | Yes | 550 00 | No | ..... | 433 40 | 5 | 5 | Good |
| 2 | 3 75 | 3 00 | 233 47 | 100 00 | Yes | 700 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 300 00 | 62 | 5 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 32 39 | 468 48 | Yes | 25 00 | No | ..... | 53 00 | 3 | 1 | Poor |
| 3 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 15 12 | 196 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 32 63 | 1 | 1 | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 110 45 | 237 05 | Yes | 256 45 | No | ..... | 21 00 | 1 | None | Poor |
| 3 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 30 29 | 2,873 06 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 603 23 | 10 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 2 60 | 3 00 | 200 00 | ..... | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 167 25 | 14 | 4 | Excellent |
| 1 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 20 00 | 2,668 49 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 423 45 | 17 | 10 | Excellent |
| 10 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 132 61 | 1,313 26 | Yes | 801 00 | No | ..... | 860 66 | 11 | 7 | Good |
| 5 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2,555 00 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 625 96 | 23 | 9 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 2 32 | 40 41 | 25 33 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 20 65 | None | 8 | Fair |
| 12 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 103 08 | 336 60 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 90 00 | 2 | 11 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 541 51 | ..... | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 171 00 | 1 | 5 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 12 08 | 724 97 | Yes | 383 60 | No | ..... | 133 00 | 3 | 1 | Fair |
| 2 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 160 21 | 490 32 | Yes | 250 00 | No | ..... | 101 25 | 6 | None | Excellent |
| 1 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 20 36 | 28 41 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 1 00 | 1 | None | Fair |
| 5 | 1 00 | 2 00 | ..... | 60 50 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 29 00 | 4 | None | Good |
| 2 | 1 00 | 3 00 | ..... | 600 00 | Yes | 108 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 8 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 53 71 | 461 28 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 45 39 | None | 6 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 692 38 | ..... | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 23 07 | 2 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 3 32 | 68 54 | ..... | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 58 50 | 3 | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 1 46 | 186 89 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 9 43 | ..... | 1 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 3 00 | 43 29 | 425 04 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 37 50 | 3 | 1 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 13 81 | 400 00 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 38 50 | 4 | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 6 83 | 240 07 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 29 00 | 1 | 7 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 75 | 3 00 | 137 22 | 381 29 | Yes | 135 75 | No | ..... | 83 75 | 6 | 1 | Good |
| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 127 13 | ..... | Yes | 130 38 | No | ..... | 27 50 | 3 | 4 | Fair |
| 5 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 22 77 | 651 02 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 69 39 | 6 | 18 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 61 46 | 240 25 | Yes | 75 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 142 80 | 854 47 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 79 00 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 21 14 | 59 69 | Yes | 70 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 26 50 | 397 54 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 71 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 1 | 5 00 | 6 00 | 71 10 | 4,323 60 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 271 81 | 4 | 12 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 4 40 | 1,111 97 | 348 00 | Yes | 1,167 21 | No | ..... | 82 00 | 1 | 3 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 90 36 | 1 44 | Yes | 25 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 145 35 | 1,299 02 | Yes | 662 35 | No | ..... | 173 75 | 3 | None | Good |
| 1 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 227 31 | 476 56 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 1 33 | 11 66 | 44 01 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 15 00 | 2 | ..... | Good |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 100 96 | 700 04 | Yes | 149 04 | No | | 25 50 | 1 | 10 | Good |
| 13 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 302 24 | 4,051 92 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 732 37 | 25 | 33 | Excellent |

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|----------------------------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | 144 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | None |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 62 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 8 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 108 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 47 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 203 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | 2 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | None |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 31 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 10 |
| Gen. James Appleton. | 128 | 98 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| William H. Freeman. | 129 | 29 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 17 | 2 |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | 33 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | 11 |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 1 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 46 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| George H. Maintien..... | 133 | 27 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 10 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 44 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | 15 | None |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 39 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 4 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 64 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 87 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 47 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 25 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | None |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 42 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 92 | Yes | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 101 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 33 | 12 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 20 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 5 | None |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 105 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 35 | 3 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 26 | No | No | No | ..... | No | No | Yes | No | No | 10 | None |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns..... | 149 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 6 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 44 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | ..... | 3 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 39 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 14 | 1 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 63 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 51 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 61 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 30 | None |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Elbridge D. Piper..... | 157 | 36 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| E. S. Dresser..... | 158 | 43 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| John A. Hayes..... | 159 | 112 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 43 | 3 |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 32 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 2 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | 2 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 58 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | None |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 27 | 2 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 48 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 1 |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 23 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | No | 8 | None |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 35 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | None |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 24 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | None |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 19 | No | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 39 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 20 | 8 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 81 | Yes | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 34 | 1 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 24 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cord, Wreath, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 12 | 1 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | 65 | No | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 32 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 1 |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 18 | No | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 13 | None |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | 36 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | 54 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 33 | No | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |

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| How many members dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 12 | \$2 00 | \$1 50 | \$39 70 | \$238 60 | Yes | \$300 00 | No | ..... | \$106 55 | 7 | 8 | Good |
| 3 | 12 00 | 3 00 | 141 59 | 128 16 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | #4 00 | 40 00 | 3 | 3 | Excellent |
| 1 | 12 00 | 12 00 | 403 63 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 163 32 | 20 | 3 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 29 94 | 94 96 | Yes | 115 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 20 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 6 83 | 2,667 56 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 115 14 | 12 | 3 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 70 | 2 00 | 150 00 | ..... | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 12 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 66 51 | 227 51 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 30 00 | 1 | 2 | Fair |
| 8 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 342 31 | 177 24 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 122 62 | 15 | None | Excellent |
| 8 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 39 79 | 40 50 | Yes | 28 91 | No | ..... | 3 00 | 1 | 2 | Good |
| 9 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 8 25 | 41 79 | Yes | 160 00 | No | ..... | 32 00 | 1 | 5 | Fair |
| 1 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 75 16 | 494 51 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 91 50 | 3 | 6 | Excellent |
| None | 3 75 | 3 00 | 40 00 | 535 33 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 70 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 3 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 59 33 | 1,359 25 | Yes | 5,000 00 | No | ..... | 72 60 | 3 | 7 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 12 00 | ..... | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 30 00 | 8 | 5 | Poor |
| None | 2 00 | 1 00 | 9 28 | 142 25 | Yes | 130 00 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 7 00 | 15 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 25 33 | 400 00 | Yes | 30 00 | No | ..... | 76 00 | 2 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 75 | 1 00 | 9 10 | 175 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 43 17 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 3 50 | 4 00 | | 650 00 | Yes | 700 00 | No | | 136 34 | 6 | 6 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 169 19 | | Yes | 250 00 | No | | 79 83 | 8 | 8 | Good |
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| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 26 38 | 41 34 | No | | No | | 78 00 | 4 | 3 | Poor |
| None | 3 00 | 1 00 | 120 72 | 384 75 | Yes | 5,000 00 | No | | 81 00 | 1 | 2 | Poor |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 69 82 | 262 49 | No | | No | | 176 65 | 17 | 14 | Good |
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| 2 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 313 13 | | Yes | 350 00 | No | | 32 75 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| 1 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 10 47 | | No | | No | | | | | Poor |
| 5 | 2 00 | 4 20 | 1 91 | 162 91 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 128 00 | 5 | None | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 111 50 | 65 00 | Yes | 165 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | ..... | ..... | Yes | 1,750 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| None | 2 75 | 3 00 | 56 18 | 225 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 110 78 | 279 41 | Yes | 430 00 | No | ..... | 2 75 | 1 | None | Excellent |
| None | 4 00 | 2 00 | 467 99 | 949 06 | Yes | 375 00 | No | ..... | 81 40 | 3 | None | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 22 | 23 39 | Yes | 1,221 64 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 50 | 4 00 | 2 61 | 642 32 | Yes | 750 00 | No | ..... | 105 00 | 4 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 1 50 | 4 00 | 53 36 | 65 89 | Yes | 13 30 | Yes | 3 00 | 5 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 2 | 2 60 | 3 00 | 12 31 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
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| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 43 05 | 376 53 | Yes | 30 00 | No | | 41 26 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| 3 | 1 00 | 3 00 | 19 55 | | Yes | 25 00 | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 379 71 | 257 44 | Yes | 249 52 | No | ..... | 31 15 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 97 03 | 67 75 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 31 25 | 5 | None | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 18 29 | 25 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| None | 2 50 | 2 40 | 46 11 | ..... | Yes | 175 00 | No | ..... | 16 10 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 36 49 | 38 86 | Yes | 74 00 | No | | 17 80 | 1 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 21 34 | | No | | No | | 50 | None | 1 | Poor |
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| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 109 48 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
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| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 100 00 | 100 00 | Yes | 80 00 | No | | 2 00 | 1 | None | Fair |
| None | 1 70 | 2 00 | 74 40 | | Yes | 70 00 | No | | 10 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 320 71 | 42 28 | Yes | 121 18 | No | | 152 72 | 3 | 8 | Good |
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| None | 2 60 | 2 00 | 7 27 | | No | | No | | | | | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 3 00 | 5 23 | 10 34 | No | | No | | | None | None | Good |

As no rules can be laid down for the rating of Posts and each Assistant Inspector must use his own standard of excellence, this rating is not absolute; yet to some extent it will serve to show the advance made by the Posts in this Department.

The Relief funds of many Posts were replenished during the last quarter of 1885, as will be shown by later returns.

Every Post has been inspected, the returns tabulated, and are annexed. The report of the spring inspections was forwarded to the Inspector-General at the proper time, and elicited from him words of commendation and congratulation at the condition of affairs in the Department. The fall inspection shows that still higher ground has been taken, and I feel assured that the future of our Department will not shame its past record.

When the Grand Army was first organized, the majority of its members had been but recently discharged from military service, and were unwilling to recognize discipline as necessary. In these later years, the need has become more apparent, and, like good soldiers, they have placed restraint upon themselves, thus elevating the *morale* of the Order; and I congratulate my comrades upon the advance in this respect.

To the comrades who have acted as Assistant Inspectors, I return my most heartfelt thanks for the kindness and courtesy which I have received, and for the faithful manner in which their duties have been performed. Every request has been answered by a prompt compliance, and they have shown a great interest in the welfare of the Posts assigned to them.

I shall remember with great pleasure the kind words and deeds which I have received from the various members of the Council. Our meetings have been very pleasant and the deliberations harmonious.

Permit me to tender to the Commander, through you, my sincere congratulations upon the condition in which he leaves the Department, and also to thank him for the many kindly words and favors which I have received at his hands.

I remain,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

B. READ WALES,

Inspector.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1886.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit here my report for the past year. Early in the year, by request of the Department Commander, I made an official visit to a Post in this Department that from internal causes was in a critical condition.

Prominent members of the Post were alarmed, and had appealed to the Department Commander for counsel and assistance.

The duties were exceedingly delicate and advisory, but a line of action was suggested and acted upon which I am happy to report resulted in restoring harmony and prosperity.

I attended the second and fourth quarterly meetings of the Council of Administration. I installed the officers of Post 107 of Palmer and Post 176 of Huntington; and assisted in the installation of the officers of Post 174 of Greenfield, and the dedication of their Post headquarters; also assisted in the formation of Post 184 of South Hadley Falls.

Have made twelve visits to Posts, and attended the dedication of two soldiers' monuments.

In closing this brief report, I desire to express my appreciation of the fraternal kindness received in all my official and fraternal relations, and especially am I indebted to Department Commander Hersey for the many courtesies which demand my sincere thanks.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

CHARLES FAY,
Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 25, 1886.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to report that during the past year I have given eleven official opinions on questions submitted to me concerning elections, the conduct of business in Posts, courts-martial, and on other points involving construction of the Rules and Regulations. I have been detailed and acted as Judge Advocate in one Department court-martial, which was terminated by the entry of a *nolle prosequi* under the approval of the Department Commander.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

HENRY WINN,
Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1886.

Commander and Comrades: The Council of Administration have held four regular meetings and one special meeting, all of which have been fully attended.

At the meeting of March 2, the Assistant Quartermaster-General was instructed to invest \$2,000 in two savings banks, \$1,000 in each.

At the meeting of October 22, Post 141 of Harwich was given permission to change their headquarters to South Chatham.

The headquarters of the Department were removed to No. 1 Pemberton Square; by so doing a saving of \$100 has been made to the Department in rent.

The Council would respectfully recommend that the sum of \$300 be appropriated by this Encampment, the same as last year, to be used in paying the travelling fares of the Commander while on official visits, and of the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders, when acting for him on official business; also, that the travelling fares of the Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department.

We have, through a committee appointed for the purpose, carefully examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant-General and the Assistant Quartermaster-General, together with the bills, vouchers, funds, and supplies on hand, and can vouch for the correctness of their reports now in your hands.

Your Council desire to express their appreciation of the faithful, earnest and efficient service rendered by our retiring Commander; also to thank his efficient Assistant Adjutant-General for the courteous treatment and ready assistance received from him during our term of office.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

JOHN McDONOUGH,
EDWARD McKAY,
CHAS H TRACY,
HORACE H. SAWYER,
SAMUEL WORCESTER,
Council of Administration.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1886.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

Sir: In compliance with duties of the honorable position to which I was elected one year ago, and which I accepted with a feeling of honest pride and gratification, I now have the honor to submit the following report:—

I have tried, under the many embarrassing circumstances in which, during the past year, I have been called upon to represent the Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R., as Medical Director, to do my duty in advancing the interests of our organization, to which we all owe so much loyalty and devotion. I have cheerfully rendered whatever service I could to all needy and suffering comrades, both in the matter of obtaining pensions, gaining admission to soldiers' homes, writing letters, etc.

I have made many visits to Posts (more especially where a good time seemed imminent), and also where the good of the Order and the interests of the boys seemed to demand my presence, and had it not been for appearing quite superfluous in the presence of our gallant Assistant Adjutant-General, I should have, in any emergency, considered it my duty to have looked after the interests of the girls also. But, joking aside, it is my humble opinion there is need of a decided change in the duties of the Medical Director and Post Surgeons towards this Order. That is, there should be specific duties attached to said offices; and I sincerely urge and recommend that some action be taken by the next Convention to secure from all Post Surgeons a semi-annual or annual report, to the Medical Director, of amount of service rendered comrades and their families gratuitously, also any labor done by them in securing pensions, etc.,—the Medical Director to be required to render reports to the Surgeon-General. Such reports would inevitably cause all Posts, in the future, to elect only professional men to the office of Surgeon; and it certainly should be required by the State Department that such should be the case, for it is certainly absurd to elect an officer to said position who has no professional claim or title to the same. It can only bring discredit upon Posts which continue to pursue such a course. In closing this very imperfect report, allow me to thank all for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to me during the year.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WALTER H. LEIGHTON,
Medical Director.

REPORT OF CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1886.

No special duty has fallen to the Chaplain during the year. He has been able to attend all but one of the regular meetings of the Council of Administration. He is glad to be able to say that he found himself in full accord with his comrades, the other members of the Council. Among the Department officers no death has occurred, so that the Chaplain has had no occasion to act as a comforter to the mourner or as a eulogist for the departed. His duties have been confined to accompanying the Department Commander in official visits to Posts, camp-fires, fairs and dedication of soldiers' memorials. The opportunities to form new acquaintances among the men who periled life for the nation's safety have been gladly accepted, and respect for them is strengthened by the wider acquaintance. The Chaplain trusts that his successor in office will find the toil equally light, and the pleasures equally great, for the coming year.

E. A. PERRY,
Chaplain.

Past Department Commander Cushman moved that a special committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider the subject matter of General Orders, No. 12, from these headquarters, relative to the Grant Memorial Fund.

Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch amended the motion: —

That inasmuch as the Council of Administration had considered this matter and passed upon it, that their action on the same be ratified by the Encampment.

Adopted.

On motion of Comrade E. C. Whitney of Post 68, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider the Commander's address and report of officers, said committee to report at Thursday morning session, and the following committee was appointed: —

Edmund C. Whitney of Post 68; Myron P. Walker of Post 97; David R. Pierce of Post 15; J. A. Lakin of Post 41; John L. Knight of Post 16.

At this point, on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted, that when the Encampment adjourns it be to meet at nine o'clock A.M., tomorrow, January 28.

Comrade J. H. O'Donnell of Post 2 submitted the following motion : —

That a committee of seven be appointed by the Chair to prepare a list of candidates to be voted for as delegates and alternates to the National Encampment.

Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15 offered an amendment to above, as follows : —

That Comrade O'Donnell's motion be postponed until after the discussion and vote on the Eight-dollar Pension measure is decided by this Encampment.

Comrade O'Donnell accepted the amendment, and the motion as amended was carried.

On motion of Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch, it was voted, that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair, to whom all communications and resolutions from comrades and Posts shall be referred.

The following committee was appointed : —

Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 ; Alfred F. Sears of Post 13 ; Benj. S. Lovell of Post 58 ; John R. McCrillis of Post 43 ; W. C. Pomeroy of Post 86.

The following communications were received from comrades and Posts.

Comrade Jas. Frey of Post 5 offered the following : —

Commander and comrades, I move that the delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to use their efforts to have Chap. IV., Art. II., of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic so amended as to exclude all past officers of the National and State Encampments from having any vote or voice in either National or State Encampments.

On motion, the above referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade H. G. O. Weymouth of Post 42 offered the following resolutions : —

Resolved, That we, the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, desire to place on record our deep sense of loss in the death of our beloved and distinguished comrade, Gen. George B. McClellan. His skill as a commander has shed lustre upon the name of the American soldier. As a patriot, he was ever ready to serve his country in any capacity, and we recall with grateful pride his invaluable services as organizer and commander of the first disciplined army of the late war, which deserves from us as soldiers and citizens that earnest recognition

and hearty indorsement which will in the future surely be accorded him in the history of our country.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our records, and an engrossed copy be transmitted to the family of our deceased comrade, with the heartfelt sympathy and respect of this Department.

On motion of Comrade O. M. Cousens of Post 42 it was voted, "That these resolutions be accepted and adopted by this Department, and the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to carry out the instructions therein."

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Comrade H. G. O. Weymouth of Post 42 offered the following resolutions : —

WHEREAS, The admission to permanent membership in the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, as provided by Art. II., Secs. 1, 2, 3, of Chap. IV., has increased the representative vote of the Encampment to an extent which threatens its continuance as a representative body; therefore,

Resolved, That the delegates from this Department be, and they are hereby instructed to prepare and present to the National Encampment such amendment to the Rules and Regulations as will hereafter, if adopted, limit life membership to Past National Commanders only.

Post 22 of Milford offered the following : —

Resolved, That the Commander of this Department be instructed to draw up a petition in the name of the Department, to be presented to the Legislature, now in session, that a law be enacted giving the Grand Army Posts or detachments thereof, and all other citizens of this State, liberty to enter into any burial place in this Commonwealth on Memorial Day, so called, for the purpose of decorating the graves of soldiers and sailors buried therein.

Resolutions offered by Post 68 : —

WHEREAS, The Grand Army of the Republic, during its existence of more than eighteen years, has firmly established itself in the confidence of the people; and

WHEREAS, Ample opportunity has been offered to all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the Union Army and Navy to acquaint themselves with its objects and join its ranks; and

WHEREAS, A large number of honorably discharged soldiers have neglected or refused to unite with our Order, and assist in carrying on its noble work of relief to suffering comrades, but in many instances, when in want or distress, have been prompt to call for aid from our relief fund; therefore,

Resolved, That our delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to advocate such changes of the obligations and Rules and

Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, as shall leave the subject of the relief of soldiers, not members of the G.A.R., who have had an opportunity to unite with it, to the discretion of the several Posts.

Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15 offered the following motion : —

That this Encampment indorse the Lovering Eight-dollar Pension Bill, Forty-ninth Congress, H.R., No. 1096, and that the delegates to the National Encampment are hereby instructed to so vote and work at that Encampment as to put the G.A.R. on record in favor of that measure.

On motion of Comrade P. Powers of Post 126, it was voted that the discussion on all questions be limited to ten minutes for each comrade, and no comrade be allowed to speak but once on each question.

On motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox, it was voted that when the vote be taken on the pension measure, it be taken by a ye and nay vote.

Comrade Loring presented his question in an able manner, and was followed by Comrade J. H. Abbott of Post 46, speaking in opposition.

On motion of Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch, it was voted that the debate on the pension matter be suspended for a few moments, in order that he might submit the following motion : —

That the vote whereby the appointment of Committee to Nominate Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment was postponed until after the Eight-dollar Bill was decided, be reconsidered.

Motion carried and the following Committee to Nominate Delegates was appointed : —

John H. O'Donnell of Post 2; James H. Holmes of Post 37; C. C. Burdett of Post 164; Walter Cutting of Post 125; Thos. M. Arnold of Post 47; Thos. W. Cook of Post 1; J. J. Calanan of Post 71.

Discussion upon the Pension Bill was then resumed, Comrade Darius Hadley of Post 156 speaking in favor of the bill.

On motion of Comrade T. J. Quinn of Post 57, it was voted that the vote on the question of pension measure be taken at 11 A.M. Thursday, 28th inst., unless sooner reached.

On motion of Department Senior Vice Commander R. F. Tobin, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed by the chair to nominate a list of candidates for the Council of Administration.

The following committee was appointed :—

Geo. L. Clapp of Post 86; J. B. Lamb of Post 10; Frank McGraw of Post 46; John E. Killian of Post 26; T. M. Currant of Post 5.

On motion of Comrade E. B. Macy of Post 19, the Encampment adjourned at 11 o'clock P.M.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, Jan. 28, 1886.

The Encampment was called to order at 9.30 A.M., by Department Commander John W. Hersey, who called on Department Chaplain Rev. E. A. Perry, to invoke the Divine blessing.

On motion of Comrade A. Neilson of Post 2, it was voted that a committee of nine be appointed by the Chair, to consider the expediency of forming a Veteran Rights Union Association.

The following were appointed :—

Arthur Neilson of Post 2; Wm. S. Hixon of Post 35; Thos. Langlan of Post 15; S. M. Weale of Post 23; J. Everett Pierce of Post 66; Wilbur F. Lane of Post 7; Thos. H. Haskell of Post 11; J. E. Killian of Post 26; Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5.

Committee on Credentials reported as follows :—

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 583 |
| Number of comrades present | 519 |

Divided as follows :—

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| Department officers | 13 |
| Past Department Commanders | 7 |
| Post Commanders | 155 |
| Delegates | 344 |
| Total | 519 |

Discussion resumed on the pension question by Comrades E. B. Loring of Post 15, D. Hadley of Post 156, J. B. Everdean of Post 35, Past Department Commander G. W. Creasey,

J. W. Walker of Post 30, Wm. A. Prescott of Post 35, Wilbur E. Lane of Post 7, D. R. Pierce of Post 15, in favor; and Comrades W. S. Shurtleff of Post 16, Chas. Fay of Post 16, J. H. Abbott of Post 46, J. Baker of Post 16, A. C. Stone of Post 39, Past Commander-in-Chief Geo. S. Merrill and W. C. Pomeroy of Post 86, against.

At this point Commander-in-Chief S. S. Burdett was announced at the outpost. Commander Hersey appointed Past Commander-in-Chief Geo. S. Merrill and Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans a committee to escort him to the platform. The Commander-in-Chief was accompanied by the following members of his Staff: Comrades W. F. Clerke of Post 2; L. Bartell of Post 1 of Massachusetts; Samuel Jones of Omaha; Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Dervoort of Omaha. Commander Hersey introduced the Commander-in-Chief to the Encampment, who happily responded.

Eleven o'clock having arrived, at which time the vote on the pension question was specially assigned, the Assistant Adjutant-General proceeded to call the roll, which resulted as follows:—

YEAS.

- Commander John W. Hersey.
 Senior Vice-Commander Richard F. Tobin.
 Junior Vice-Commander Chas. D. Nash.
 Medical Director Walter H. Leighton.
 Council of Administration John McDonough, Horace A. Sawyer.
 Assistant Adjutant-General Alfred C. Monroe.
 Past Department Commanders Geo. W. Creasey, Geo. H. Patch.
- POST 1. Fred S. Washburn, Andrew J. Smith, Thomas W. Cook, Edward T. Chapman, Fred S. Tabor, S. C. Chamberlain.
- POST 2. C. H. Whiting, Geo. H. Innis, W. F. Clerke.
- POST 3. Lewis B. Hodges, Benj. Morris, Alden H. Blake, Duncan S. Elliott.
- POST 4. Edwin C. Gould.
- POST 5. T. M. Currant, F. H. Bean, Fred P. Larrabee, Geo. C. Higgins, W. A. Cotton, David Walker, Frank G. Kelley, Willis L. Hidden, Jas. Frey, Thos. Payton, Warren Bailey, C. M. Sprague, C. H. Robinson, John Forrest, C. B. Smith, S. H. Davenport, Fred Fitts, Geo. D. Stiles.
- POST 7. Wilbur F. Lane, Thaddeus Churchill, Jeremiah Wakefield, Geo. A. J. Colgan, Patrick W. Doherty, Geo. B. Martis, Stephen F. Keyes, J. B. Cherry, Chas. H. Whitney.
- POST 8. Jas. M. Sampson, Thos. B. Griffiths, Chas. W. Turner.
- POST 9. Chas. G. Brigham, Geo. W. Poor, C. H. Hill.
- POST 11. Wm. H. Poole, Isaac W. Derby, Thos. H. Haskell, John Reade, Chas. Raymond.
- POST 12. Arlon S. Atherton, W. S. Harris, Wm. N. Tyler, Justin Howard, D. R. Rolfe.
- POST 13. Alfred F. Sears, Nat'l D. Toppan, Wm. R. Bunker, Chas. E. Tribou, Francis M. Shaw.

- POST 14. N. H. Houghton, A. O. Thompson.
 POST 15. David R. Pierce, E. B. Loring, Geo. W. Powers, Samuel Canning, David O. Felt, Moses H. Cleaves, J. Cushing Thomas, Francis E. Beahn, Thos. Langlan.
 POST 16. E. F. Cross.
 POST 17. Albert L. Barrett, A. L. Shattuck, G. A. Drake.
 POST 18. G. C. Fiske.
 POST 19. Edwin F. Putnam, Fred M. Peckham, Sidney Sibley, Geo. S. Gilchrist, Edward B. Macy.
 POST 20. Loren B. Moore.
 POST 21. Theodore Leutz.
 POST 22. Henry Hancock, Henry A. Pond.
 POST 23. Edward Preble, Lyman W. Clark, Samuel M. Weale, Lyman W. Gould.
 POST 24. George M. Newton.
 POST 25. Ezra J. Hill.
 POST 29. J. Beatey.
 POST 30. Wm. H. P. Plummer, Samuel Hall, P. A. Lindsey, E. J. Dolan, J. W. Walker, J. Kinnear.
 POST 31. Geo. O. Vinal, Henry H. Chubbuck.
 POST 32. W. J. Blake, P. Lynch, D. McCarty.
 POST 33. Wm. P. Warren, Charles W. McDonald, Oliver M. Wade.
 POST 34. T. Wilson Nye, Amos Stillman, Albion M. Dudley, Edward C. Beckett.
 POST 35. Nelson H. Sibley, Jos. B. Everdean, A. G. Beane, Geo. W. White, Geo. W. Marsh, Chas. A. Litchfield, Wm. A. Prescott, Wm. S. Hixon, Chas. O. Fellows.
 POST 36. Major Bacon.
 POST 37. Chas. P. Barton, Chas. A. Boyden.
 POST 38. E. D. Goodell.
 POST 39. James Lane.
 POST 40. F. E. West, Frank J. Scott, Nathan Newhall, Charles E. Thompson.
 POST 42. John Welch, H. G. O. Weymouth, John F. Murphy, John E. Quinn, O. M. Cousens, Andrew J. Boies, C. A. R. Dimon.
 POST 45. Sidney Gardner, Benj. F. Cook, Chas. H. Parsons, Albert C. Andrews.
 POST 46. J. L. Delmage, R. Booth.
 POST 47. Thos. M. Arnold, Wm. H. Johnson, Benj. A. Sawyer, Walter Goodrich, Carl Jensen, John C. Goodwin.
 POST 48. John H. Sprague, H. C. Sherwin.
 POST 49. Henry Martin, John Burke, Caleb P. Davis, Jr., Russell T. Tibbetts, Albert O. Colby.
 POST 50. Frank E. Farnham, Wm. W. Reed, Geo. B. Millen.
 POST 51. Wilder E. Dean, Charles H. Bartlett.
 POST 52. Ellis R. Holbrook, P. W. Fecto, D. W. Burrill.
 POST 53. A. W. Allen, D. W. Martin.
 POST 54. John A. Merrill.
 POST 57. F. M. Balcom, M. F. Davlin, M. F. Marks, T. J. Quinn.
 POST 58. Benj. S. Lovell, James W. Rand, James J. Mahoney, Austin P. Beard.
 POST 60. Wm. E. Nason, Wm. H. Williams.
 POST 61. H. J. Wooddell, E. P. Carter.
 POST 63. S. W. Mann, M. L. Gleason, Ed. P. Simpson, J. H. Wright.
 POST 65. W. S. Stearns.
 POST 66. Robert M. Spinney, John S. Beck, J. Everett Pierce.
 POST 67. Chas. H. Stone.
 POST 68. Edmund C. Whitney.
 POST 69. J. S. Harrington, E. S. Kendall.
 POST 70. E. A. Waters, S. C. Spooner.
 POST 71. W. H. Abbott, James Howes, J. J. Calanan, A. M. Cain.
 POST 72. Lysander Wood, Thomas Blanchard.

- POST 74. Geo. E. Dunham, Silas Gurney.
 POST 75. S. L. Colley, John Best, C. B. Carlin.
 POST 76. Martin Curley.
 POST 78. Rufus Cass, Ephraim T. Cole, A. B. Caswell, Jr.
 POST 79. L. J. Amiden, C. B. Cheesebre, E. B. Hicks.
 POST 81. Fred A. Thomas, Geo. E. Teele.
 POST 82. Richard Goldsmith, John B. Graves, Jr., Richard B. Brown,
 Wm. K. Brown.
 POST 85. Frank P. Clark.
 POST 87. Henry A. Monk.
 POST 88. Francis P. Loud, Wm. P. Martin, Samuel D. DeForrest.
 POST 89. John Hannahs, James H. Kendall, John W. McKnight, Fred.
 A. Wallis.
 POST 90. Harvey H. Pillsbury, Timothy D. Crowley, Jos. J. Fuller,
 Edward L. Hill.
 POST 91. H. C. Lindley, William H. Kempton.
 POST 92. Frederick Hammond.
 POST 93. James M. Hunter.
 POST 95. James F. Pratt, Geo. W. Gale.
 POST 97. A. Morse, Chas. Davis.
 POST 100. Geo. H. Barnard, Jos. Martin.
 POST 103. Benj. F. Tucker, Zachary Damon.
 POST 105. D. C. Haviland, George Ball.
 POST 106. Calvin W. Pool.
 POST 107. Charles Upham.
 POST 108. H. N. Harriman.
 POST 109. Geo. P. Hawks.
 POST 110. Nathaniel H. Tirrell, Luther Rowe.
 POST 112. David Bassford, Jr., Wm. C. Litchfield.
 POST 115. Chas. Blood.
 POST 116. John D. Edgett, Chas. F. Read.
 POST 117. Ansel K. Tisdale.
 POST 118. John J. Adams.
 POST 120. W. A. Fifield, H. M. Jacobs, W. W. Tuttle, L. A. French,
 G. W. Huntoon, C. F. Urann.
 POST 121. E. S. Churchill, W. C. Eustis, Jas. McKay.
 POST 122. Chas. Goss, Dudley J. Marston.
 POST 123. James Oliver, Benj. W. Spooner, Hiram Bancroft.
 POST 124. Peregrin W. Poole, Francis M. Kingman.
 POST 125. Charles M. Welden, Robert B. Dickie.
 POST 126. E. P. Snow, P. Powers.
 POST 128. Nathaniel Shatswell, Thos. F. Ellsworth.
 POST 129. Cyrenius E. Tucker, Lawrence Gibney.
 POST 130. Wm. J. Arbuckle, Henry A. Walker.
 POST 132. L. Wells Hunt, Samuel H. Nye.
 POST 134. Samuel A. Valentine, Isaac S. Mullin.
 POST 135. Hammond W. Page.
 POST 137. Henry Hutchins, E. C. Norris.
 POST 138. Isaiah Hutchins, D. H. Hall.
 POST 139. Melville D. Jones, Jas. Davlin.
 POST 140. Wm. E. Jaquith.
 POST 141. G. N. Munsell, C. H. Rockwell.
 POST 142. Nathaniel S. Robinson.
 POST 144. Henry W. Weeks, Chas. C. Nichols, Wm. R. Guild.
 POST 145. E. S. Horton.
 POST 146. Geo. T. Fisher.
 POST 148. W. A. Snow.
 POST 149. Chas. S. Stone, Patrick Duggan.
 POST 150. G. N. Watson, Leander Brigham.
 POST 153. Geo. Q. A. Bryant, Theo. K. Parker.
 POST 155. Frank C. Hill, Wm. J. Dunham.
 POST 156. Darius Hadley.

- POST 158. Wm. McDonald.
 POST 159. Joseph Rossiter, C. E. Bushee, C. E. Gerold.
 POST 160. James Dillon.
 POST 161. Milton Moore, Ambrose Bancroft.
 POST 162. R. L. Atherton.
 POST 163. E. T. Phinney.
 POST 164. Chas. C. Burdett.
 POST 165. Lawrence Bradford.
 POST 166. Edwin E. James.
 POST 169. Albert G. Webb.
 POST 171. Rollin C. Ward, Wm. E. Merriam.
 POST 172. Ambrose E. Ames.
 POST 173. Byron W. Charles, Chas. S. Haskell.
 POST 174. George Pierce.
 POST 176. Edward Pease.
 POST 178. Warren O. Hawley, Albert B. Champlin.
 Total, 344.

NAYS.

- Department Chaplain Rev. E. A. Perry.
 Council of Administration Edward McKay, Chas. H. Tracy,
 Samuel Worcester.
 Assistant Quartermaster-General W. W. Scott.
 Department Inspector B. Read Wales.
 Chief Mustering Officer Chas. Fay.
 Past Department Commanders A. S. Cushman, John W. Kimball, Geo. S. Merrill, Geo. S. Evans, John D. Billings.
- POST 2. J. H. O'Donnell, Arthur Neilson.
 POST 4. Richard Eddy.
 POST 6. Wm. H. Belcher, B. A. Bridges.
 POST 10. C. N. Walker, S. F. Babbitt, J. B. Lamb, Jas. Armstrong,
 C. W. Putnam, J. B. Willard, Thos. O'Gara, Frank H. Rice,
 Jotham Bigelow, Wm. L. Robinson, Jos. P. Eaton, Augustus
 Stone, J. N. Jones.
- POST 16. Joel H. Hendrick, J. L. Knight, John Baker, C. D. Ufford,
 Wm. S. Shurtliff, Geo. S. Warriner, N. E. Abbott, D. W.
 Ware.
- POST 19. Edward P. Loring.
 POST 22. Henry J. Bailey, L. A. Lamson.
 POST 24. F. L. Fuller.
 POST 26. John E. Killian, Michael Riley, Frank W. Monroe, Frank B.
 Perkins.
- POST 27. O. B. Chaffee, L. T. Emerson.
 POST 28. W. L. G. Haskins.
 POST 36. Horace D. Durgin.
 POST 37. Jas. H. Holmes.
 POST 39. Chas. H. Couillard, Jas. W. Joyce, Andrew C. Stone, Daniel E.
 Kiley, Chas. Philbrick, Marcus W. Copps, Geo. H. Flagg.
- POST 41. Geo. H. Prescott, Frank A. Snow, J. A. Lakin.
 POST 43. John R. McCrillis, W. A. Alley, C. F. Robinson, J. W. Barnes.
 POST 44. S. F. Draper.
 POST 46. John H. Abbott, John M. Deane, Frank McGraw.
 POST 56. Horace A. Allyn, Dexter Jewett, T. W. Higginson.
 POST 58. Moses R. Greeley.
 POST 61. Elias P. Morton.
 POST 62. A. T. Sylvester, J. F. Makee, R. M. Lucas.
 POST 64. Charles Frazer.
 POST 67. E. P. Stanly.
 POST 68. Chas. D. Stiles, Chas. B. Fox, Henry P. Oakman, Walter E.
 Swan, Chas. D. W. Marcy.
 POST 73. A. W. Hines, A. H. Wright, J. W. Sproul.

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| POST 74. | Jeremiah Looby. |
| POST 76. | Benj. A. Hathaway, Edmund M. Leach. |
| POST 80. | Chas. E. Smith, F. W. Bullard, L. P. Claflin. |
| POST 83. | John G. Knight. |
| POST 85. | D. W. Ainsworth. |
| POST 86. | Wm. R. Bartwell, W. C. Pomeroy, Albert A. Lyman, John Keach, Geo. C. Clapp. |
| POST 92. | Alvah J. Wilson. |
| POST 93. | G. R. Pierce. |
| POST 94. | John T. Pitman. |
| POST 98. | David B. Lincoln. |
| POST 99. | Geo. W. Chandler, Peter D. Smith. |
| POST 102. | Chas. E. G. Breck, Geo. A. Fletcher. |
| POST 104. | Chas. H. Wakefield, John H. Stodder. |
| POST 107. | Daniel W. Tuft. |
| POST 108. | Chas. W. Tenney, C. O. Noyes. |
| POST 111. | H. C. Sampson, H. H. Collamore. |
| POST 113. | Augustine Sanderson, Augustus N. Sampson, Albert W. Hersey. |
| POST 114. | M. P. Brew, Bailey Sargent. |
| POST 115. | Daniel C. Fletcher. |
| POST 117. | John H. Pember. |
| POST 125. | Walter Cutting, Edward McDonald. |
| POST 127. | Edward Pendleton, Josiah G. Cook. |
| POST 131. | John F. Kebbler, John D. Cogswell. |
| POST 133. | Wm. H. Wade, Edward P. Davis. |
| POST 143. | C. C. Soule, W. T. Gross. |
| POST 145. | A. T. Wales. |
| POST 147. | H. M. McCloud, C. S. Walker, J. W. Howland. |
| POST 152. | Chas. E. French, Wm. H. Burnham. |
| POST 155. | Geo. E. Fuller. |
| POST 156. | Chas. H. Spencer. |
| POST 160. | Geo. H. Howard |
| POST 168. | Geo. W. Corey. |
| POST 175. | Eben C. Mann. |
| POST 179. | B. F. Brooks. |
| POST 180. | Edward J. Bartlett, A. P. Chamberlin. |
| POST 182. | Amasa Gray. |
| POST 183. | Chas. Church. |

Total, 148.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox, chairman of Committee on Communications and Resolutions from Posts and Comrades, reported as follows:—

On the resolution of Post 22. The committee report that this resolution ought not to pass, for the reason that the Legislature has no power to authorize trespass on private property.

Adopted.

Resolution of Post 42, in regard to the representation in National Encampment. The committee report that it ought to pass.

Adopted.

Resolution of Post 68. The committee report that this resolution ought to pass.

Adopted.

The resolution of Comrade James Frey of Post 5, the committee report that so much of this communication as relates to the Departments, ought not to pass.

Adopted.

In regard to the National Encampment, that has been acted upon in the report of the communication from Post 42.

Adopted.

Comrade E. C. Whitney of Post 68, chairman of Committee on Commander's Address, reported as follows:—

That each matter be taken up and moved and acted upon separately.

Adopted.

FINANCES.

First. At the last Convention, it was

Voted, That the Council of Administration be instructed to report a plan for the financial policy of the Department for the consideration of this Convention. In the absence of such report, and in consideration of the hints at such a plan by the Department Commander, the committee recommend as follows: That the sum of \$1,000, in addition to the amount already so disposed of, be deposited in some savings bank in the city of Boston, under the same restrictions as were followed in previous deposits.

Adopted.

Second. That it is not advisable to further increase the permanent fund at Department Headquarters.

Adopted.

Third. That this Encampment reduce the *per capita* tax of the Department, for the ensuing year, from thirty-two cents to twenty-four cents per member.

Adopted.

Fourth. That the Council of Administration note the workings of the new departure during the ensuing year, and report upon results, with recommendations for a permanent course of action at the next Convention.

Adopted.

Fifth. That five hundred dollars be appropriated for the actual expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty, or the Senior or Junior Vice-Commander, when acting in his stead, and for the travelling expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment. Bills so contracted to be subject to the approval of the Council of Administration.

Adopted.

Sixth. That the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated for extra clerk hire, to assist the Assistant Adjutant-General in the clerical work of his office.

Adopted.

Seventh. That the committee indorse that portion of the Commander's address relating to indiscriminate charity, and that in order to take one step forward in that direction, we report a recommendation, as follows:—

That the delegates endeavor to secure the passage of a resolution by the National Encampment, in substance, as follows:—

Resolved, As the sentiment of the National Encampment, that the obligation heretofore taken by recruits at muster-in does not morally bind them to assist soldiers living, or to bury the dead, who have never joined the Grand Army of the Republic, but that such assistance or such expenses are purely voluntary on the part of Posts.

Adopted.

Eighth. That no recommendation is required from your committee on that important portion of the Commander's address relating to the pensions, as the subject has been fully considered by the Convention.

Adopted.

Ninth. That the recommendations of the Medical Director relating to reports of Past Surgeons are eminently worthy of consideration, and we recommend that the Council of Administration be requested to submit a plan covering such reports at the next Department Convention.

Adopted.

Comrade Arthur Neilson of Post 2, chairman Committee on Veterans' Rights Association, reported as follows:—

That we approve the objects of the Veterans' Rights Association, and respectfully recommend that a committee of seven be appointed by the Department Commander, to act in concert with the Council of Administration for the proper organization of such a body.

Adopted.

The following committee was appointed:—

Arther Neilson of Post 2; Wm. S. Hixon of Post 35; J. Everett Pierce of Post 66; Chas. D. Stiles of Post 68; J. E. Killian of Post 26; Geo. W. Powers of Post 15; Jeremiah Wakefield of Post 7.

Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote: —

WHEREAS, Since the last annual Encampment of this Department the country at large and our comrades in arms have been called upon to mourn the loss of one of our most illustrious leaders, who has been mustered out by the hand of death; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the delegates to this Encampment in Convention place upon its records our high appreciation of the distinguished services of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, the last leader of that army which, after years of alternate victory and defeat, crowned its labors with success at Appomattox.

Resolved, That this Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, representing the surviving soldiers and sailors of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, recognizing the valued services of this distinguished comrade in the cause of the Union, would add to the laurel wreath of grateful remembrance that crowns his heroic life, our tribute of soldierly affection and undying love.

Resolved, That in the galaxy of illustrious defenders of the Union and its flag, whose military genius is an undying lustre upon its name, our Republic has had no worthier son.

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Comrade Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5 offered the following motion (based on a petition from some forty comrades of Post 15, requesting the Commander-in-Chief to remit and set aside the sentence of court-martial imposed upon Comrade Oliver Downing of Post 15): "That this Convention petition the Commander-in-Chief for remittal of unexpired sentence of Comrade Oliver H. Downing of Post 15."

After discussion by Comrades C. B. Fox, E. B. Loring, Geo. S. Merrill and B. Read Wales, president of court-martial, the previous question was ordered and the motion defeated.

Commander Hersey read an invitation from the State Department of the Woman's Relief Corps for the delegates to be present this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, at Odd Fellows Hall, at a reception to the Commander-in-Chief and Department officers.

Assistant Adjutant-General A. C. Monroe read the following dispatch: —

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 27, 1886.

The Department of Connecticut in Encampment assembled, sends greeting to our comrades of the old Bay State.

Our hearts are with you in Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty and Unity.

C. H. STOWE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

By vote of the Encampment the Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed to respond.

On motion of Comrade John E. Quinn of Post 42, it was voted to proceed to election of officers.

On motion of Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 63, a committee of five was appointed to distribute, collect, sort and count ballots, as follows: —

E. P. Simpson of Post 63; Robert Spinney of Post 66; Geo. H. Innis of Post 2; J. F. Murphy of Post 42; Geo. R. Teele of Post 81.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 presented the name of Department Senior Vice-Commander Richard F. Tobin of Post 2, for Department Commander, and moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade Richard F. Tobin of Post 2 for Department Commander for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed and Comrade Tobin was declared elected.

Commander Hersey introduced Department Commander-elect Richard F. Tobin, who responded, thanking the comrades for the compliment of a unanimous election, and stating to the Encampment that he should reappoint the present Assistant Adjutant-General, Comrade A. C. Monroe.

Comrade A. H. Wright of Post 73 presented the name of Department Junior Vice-Commander Charles D. Nash of Post 78, and moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade Charles D. Nash of Post 78, as Department Senior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed and Comrade Nash was declared elected.

Comrade John Welch of Post 42 presented the name of Comrade H. G. O. Weymouth of Post 42, as candidate for Junior Vice-Commander. The nomination was seconded by Comrade E. B. Loring of Post 15.

Comrade Chas. D. Stiles of Post 68 presented the name of Comrade E. C. Whitney of Post 68, for Junior Vice-Commander.

Comrade Wm. McDonald of Post 158 presented the name of Comrade Walter Cutting of Post 125, for Junior Vice-Commander.

While the committee were counting the ballots for Junior Vice-Commander, A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General,

informed the Convention that had it been pleasant, it was the intention to march to the banquet in Faneuil Hall, and that Dahlgren Post 2 Drum Corps had volunteered their services, and moved the thanks of the Encampment be extended to them. Unanimously adopted.

Comrade E. P. Simpson of Post 63 reported as follows for Committee on Vote for Junior Vice-Commander:—

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| Whole number of votes | 414 |
| Necessary for choice | 208 |
| C. D. Nash had | 1 |
| E. F. Cross had | 4 |
| W. C. Cutting had | 2 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 201 |
| H. G. O. Weymouth had | 206 |

There being no choice, the Encampment proceeded to a second ballot.

During the counting of second ballot for Junior Vice-Commander, Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch introduced the following resolutions:—

WHEREAS, By a recent decision of the Commissioner of Pensions, it appears that any soldier or sailor suffering from a loss of one hand and one foot cannot get an increase of pension, because the disability is not of such a character as to be progressive; and

WHEREAS, It being known that such soldier or sailor so injured is in many cases as badly incapacitated for earning a livelihood as if both feet were gone, in which case he would receive seventy-two dollars per month; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Encampment represent these facts to the Congressional Committee on Invalid Pensions of the Forty-ninth Congress, and request them to so amend the pension laws as to provide a pension of seventy-two dollars per month to all soldiers and sailors who lost one leg and one hand or one foot and one hand in the service of their country.

He moved the adoption of this resolution, and that the incoming Department Commander transmit a copy of the same to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Adopted.

Comrade Geo. H. Patch also introduced the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the delegates to this Encampment, representing nearly eighteen thousand comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, as well as the sentiment of thousands of other honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, do most heartily endorse the so-called "Tobin Bill" now before the legislature of the Commonwealth, and pray our senators and representatives to urge its passage, that it may become part of the public statutes of our State. We expressly pray that it may become a law in its amended form, of which the following is a copy:—

An Act authorizing the Appointment to Office of Honorably Discharged Soldiers and Sailors without competitive civil-service examination.

SECTION 1. All persons who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of the War of the Rebellion and were honorably discharged therefrom, shall be preferred for appointment to office, or employed in the service of the Commonwealth or the cities thereof, without having passed any examination provided for by Chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, or by the rules of the Civil Service Commissioners, made under the provisions of said Act. Age, loss of limb, or other physical impairment, which shall not in fact incapacitate, shall not be deemed cause to disqualify under this Act. But nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent such persons from making application for such examinations, or from taking such examinations, provided they are entitled to do so, under the rules of said Commissioners.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

After discussion, Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans moved the adoption of above resolutions, which was carried by a large vote.

Comrade Simpson reported as follows on second ballot for Junior Vice-Commander.

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| Whole number of votes | 395 |
| Necessary for choice | 198 |
| C. D. Nash had | 1 |
| J. D. Smith had | 1 |
| J. B. Lamb had | 1 |
| H. G. O. Weymouth had | 189 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 203 |

Comrade Weymouth of Post 42 moved that the vote be made unanimous, and Comrade E. C. Whitney of Post 68 was declared elected Junior Vice-Commander of the Department for the ensuing year.

Comrade John H. O'Donnell reported for committee a list of candidates for delegates and alternates to the National Encampment.

Comrade Geo. C. Clapp reported for Committee to Nominate Candidates for Council of Administration the following named comrades : —

H. A. Sawyer of Post 5; Samuel Worcester of Post 34; William C. Pomeroy of Post 86; John M. Dean of Post 46; George L. Goodale of Post 66.

On motion of Comrade Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5, a committee of five was appointed to distribute, collect, sort and count ballots for delegates and alternates for National Encampment as follows : —

Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5; Edward McKay of Post 22; Nathan Newhall of Post 40; J. H. Hendricks of Post 16; C. D. W. Marcy of Post 68.

Comrade A. L. Shattuck of Post 17 presented the name of C. D. Hendrickson of Post 17, as Medical Director. The nomination was seconded by Comrades Geo. S. Ball of Post 105 and E. B. Macy of Post 19.

Comrade B. A. Sawyer of Post 47 presented the name of the present incumbent, Past Comrade Walter H. Leighton of Post 42. The nomination was seconded by Comrades Samuel Worcester of Council of Administration, and O. M. Cousens of Post 42.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox moved a suspension of the rule so that we can proceed to the election of Medical Director. [Carried.]

The same Committee on Ballot for Junior Vice-Commander were requested to act and the ballot was taken, which resulted in the election of Comrade C. D. Hendrickson for Medical Director. Comrade W. H. Leighton moved that the vote be unanimous, which was carried.

On motion of Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans, the rule was suspended and the Assistant Adjutant-General was ordered to cast one ballot, with the name of Department Chaplain Rev. E. A. Perry as Department Chaplain for another year. The ballot was cast as directed, and he was declared elected.

On motion of Comrade William A. Prescott, a committee of five was appointed to collect ballots for Council of Administration as follows : —

W. A. Prescott of Post 35; A. L. Shattuck of Post 17; J. L. Knight of Post 16; N. D. Toppan of Post 13; A. S. Buzzel of Post 7.

Comrade Stiles of Post 5 for Committee on Election of Delegates and Alternates, reported the following named comrades elected, and it was so declared:—

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

J. L. Otis Post 86, Northampton

DELEGATES.

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| John McDonough | Post 2, South Boston |
| E. R. Wheeler | " 37, Spencer |
| Walter Goodrich | " 47, Haverhill |
| N. E. Abbott | " 16, Springfield |
| W. H. Chamberlain | " 125, Pittsfield |
| J. A. Richmond | " 93, Shelburne Falls |
| E. S. Horton | " 145, Attleboro |
| E. B. Loring | " 15, Boston |
| J. J. Calanan | " 71, Holyoke |
| B. S. Lovell | " 58, East Weymouth |
| G. L. Rice | " 79, North Adams |
| D. M. Wilcox | " 177, Lee |
| Peter D. Smith | " 99, Andover |
| C. A. R. Dimon | " 42, Lowell |
| A. S. Atherton | " 12, Wakefield |
| John Best | " 75, Stoneham |
| E. B. Macy | " 19, Fitchburg |
| N. S. Toppan | " 13, Brockton |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

Chas. O. Fellows Post 35, Chelsea

ALTERNATES.

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| Daniel F. Kiley | Post 39, Lawrence |
| Philip Creasey | " 49, Newburyport |
| A. M. Dudley | " 34, Salem |
| John S. Cook | " 51, No. Brookfield |
| E. N. Jones | " 126, Adams |
| E. C. Whitney | " 68, Dorchester |
| Joseph Dalton | " 23, East Boston |
| Thomas W. Cook | " 1, New Bedford |
| J. F. Callanan | " 16, Springfield |

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| J. D. Coggs well | Post 131, Leicester |
| James B. Brewster | " 76, Plymouth |
| H. C. Sherwin | " 48, Ayer |
| C. E. Hapgood | " 143, Brookline |
| Luther C. Brown | " 5, Lynn |
| Henry A. Walker | " 130, West Medway |
| Frank E. Martelli | " 30, Cambridgeport |
| Wm. S. Hixon | " 35, Chelsea |
| Frank M. Whitman | " 47, Haverhill |

While the ballot for Council of Administration was pending, Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General communicate with Comrade Horace Binney Sargent the expressions of good will of this Twentieth Annual Encampment towards him.

Carried unanimously.

On motion of Past Department Commander J. G. B. Adams of Post 5, it was voted that the first five comrades having the highest number of votes for Council of Administration be declared elected.

Adopted.

Past Department Commander Geo. W. Creasey reported as follows on the reunion of veterans at Point of Pines last summer, and moved that the matter of future reunion be referred to the incoming Council of Administration.

The report was accepted and recommendation adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' REUNION, AT THE POINT OF PINES, SEPT. 2 AND 3, 1885.

Comrades: In accordance with instructions, the committee made arrangements to have the reunion at the Point of Pines, September 2 and 3, believing it to be the best place under the circumstances to hold the first State reunion of veterans. In point of numbers and enthusiasm the reunion was a success, and the committee are of the opinion that one should be held each year in some part of the State, but that it should be held under the official care of the Department, and the State Convention make the arrangements. Appended is the financial report of the committee.

For the committee,

GEORGE W. CREASEY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHARLES H. BAKER, *Treasurer, in account with*

VETERANS' REUNION COMMITTEE.

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| C. H. Thayer, Treasurer Point of Pines | \$516 28 |
| Money returned | 60 |
| | <hr/> \$516 88 |

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| Camp-fire | \$75 30 |
| Expense of tents | 111 16 |
| Printing and advertising | 77 38 |
| Frank Larrabee Barrell, and others | 19 00 |
| J. S. Estes | 3 50 |
| J. S. Blood | 2 00 |
| George C. Neal | 12 30 |
| A. Story | 3 50 |
| J. W. Young | 40 00 |
| Thomas Tibbetts | 2 50 |
| C. H. Baker | 7 50 |
| W. H. Hutchinson | 2 24 |
| George W. Creasey | 3 00 |
| City of Lynn, police | 2 00 |
| | <hr/> \$361 38 |
| Balance on hand | 155 50 |
| | <hr/> \$516 88 |

CHARLES H. BAKER,

Treasurer.

Department Commander Hersey, pending the report of vote for Council of Administration, introduced the Medical Director elect, Comrade C. D. Hendrickson, who responded, accepting the position and thanking the comrades for the honor.

On motion of Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans, it was voted to extend the thanks of this Encampment to the guard from Post 11, for their efficient services.

On motion of Comrade A. C. Andrews of Post 45, a vote of thanks was extended to Past Department Commander John W. Hersey for his untiring work and services to the G.A.R. in the past, and also for the very happy and impartial manner he has presided over the deliberations of this Encampment.

Comrade W. A. Prescott of Post 35 reported for Committee on Vote for Council of Administration, and the following com-

rades, having received the highest number of votes, were declared elected for the ensuing year: —

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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| Horace A. Sawyer | Post 5, |
| Samuel Worcester | " 2, |
| Geo. L. Goodale | " 66, |
| Frank P. Simonds | " 63, |
| Samuel M. Weale | " 23, |

Past Department Commander George W. Creasey was requested to install the officers, and accepted; and the following comrades were installed into office for the ensuing year: —

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| Department Commander | Richard F. Tobin |
| Department Senior Vice-Commander . . | Charles D. Nash |
| Department Junior Vice-Commander . . | E. C. Whitney |
| Department Medical Director | C. D. Hendrickson |
| Council of Administration | { Samuel Worcester |
| | { Geo. L. Goodale |
| | { Frank P. Simonds |
| | { Samuel Weale |

There being no further business, the Twentieth Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts was declared dissolved.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

In Memoriam

- Post 1. William Moore, age 45; seaman, U.S.S. *Pawnee*.
 Post 1. William A. Jenney, age 59; private, Co. F, 3d Mass.
 Post 2. John H. Foote, age 50; private, Co. A, 8th Mass.
 Post 2. Jos. R. Draper, age 48; assistant-surgeon, 14th R.I.H.A.
 Post 2. D. A. Myers, age 43; private, Co. F, 11th U.S. Inf.
 Post 3. Wm. R. Smith, age 50; private, Co. D, 1st R.I. Art.
 Post 5. E. N. Beal, age 42; corporal, Co. C, 18th Maine.
 Post 5. C. W. Neal, age 56; private, Co. I, 4th Mass. H. A.
 Post 5. J. G. Forman, age 65; chaplain, Co. L, 3d Missouri.
 Post 5. E. G. Allen, age 54; corporal, Co. D, 8th Mass. Vols.
 Post 5. E. F. Tennant, age 43; private, Co. B, 17th Mass.
 Post 5. G. W. Tracey, age 38; private, Co. F, 10th Conn.
 Post 5. E. A. Barry, age 56; private, Co. D, 8th M.V.M.
 Post 5. Patrick Linehan, age 54; private, Co. C, 1st Mass. H. A.
 Post 5. Patrick Burns, age 39; private, Co. A, 3d Mass. H. A.
 Post 5. Thos. J. Thurston, age 51; private, Co. A, 1st Maine.
 Post 5. E. J. Gurney, age 43; private, Co. L, 1st Mass. H. A.
 Post 5. Geo. A. Taylor, age 52; private, Co. L, 4th Mass. H. A.
 Post 5. Fred Seaver, age 42; corporal, Vet. R.C.
 Post 5. Samuel E. Star, age 47; private, Co. H, 19th Mass.
 Post 5. Joseph W. Snellen, age 57; 1st lieutenant, Co. G, 19th Mass.
 Post 5. Samuel Flint, age 74; private, Co. C, 23d Mass.
 Post 5. Timothy Hurley, age 57; corporal, Co. I, 1st Mass.
 Post 6. Reuben S. Dorr, age 42; private, Co. H, 15th Mass.
 Post 7. Louis Goodman, age 44; landsman, U.S.S. *Hartford*.
 Post 7. Samuel C. Rogers, age 62; surgeon, 30th Iowa.
 Post 7. Nathaniel Conn, age 42; private, Co. H, 47th Mass.
 Post 7. E. C. Lavell, age 44; corporal, 4th Maine.
 Post 8. H. F. Whitcomb, age 40; private, Co. D, 18th Mass.
 Post 9. Franklin Lewis, age 40; private, Co. E, 14th Maine.
 Post 10. F. G. Elliot, age 47; private, Co. C, 1st Mass. Cav.
 Post 10. M. V. B. Richardson, age 47; 1st lieutenant, Co. C, 1st N.H.
 Post 10. Israel LaBleu, age 48; private, Co. M, 9th N.Y.
 Post 10. Louis Bean, age 38; private, Co. G, 2d N.Y.
 Post 10. J. A. Herbert, age 48; private, Co. A, 1st Maine Cav.
 Post 10. Thomas Plunkett, age 44; sergeant, Co. E, 21st Mass.
 Post 11. Freeman Field, age 80; fife major, 5th M.V.M.; musician, 32d M.V.M.; musician, Co. C, 1st Mass. H. A.
 Post 11. Daniel T. Parker, age 44; private, Co. H, 5th M.V.M.
 Post 11. John F. Murphy, age 43; private, 11th Mass. Bat.
 Post 12. Daniel P. Cook, age 49; private, Co. G, 1st Mass. Cav.
 Post 12. John H. Mead, age 29; private, Co. H, 95th Pa. Vols.
 Post 12. Chas. H. Merrill, age 39; private, Co. H, 27th Maine Vols.
 Post 13. Arthur Forrester, age 71; private, Co. A, 53d Mass.
 Post 14. Charles H. Wright, age 45; private, Co. D, 19th M.V.M.
 Post 15. E. F. Dustin, age 42; private, Co. A, 1st N.H.H.A.
 Post 15. James M. Saddler, age 47; private, Co. E, 12th Mass.
 Post 15. W. F. Blake, age 47; private, Co. E, 12th Mass.

- POST 15. John O. Senter, age 49; private, Co. D, 1st Mass.
 POST 15. B. N. Thomas, age 44; private, Co. K, 3d Me. V.M.
 POST 16. Nathaniel Evans, age 55; private, Co. H, 18th N.Y. Cav.
 POST 16. A. G. Taylor, age 44; 1st sergeant, Co. G, 37th Mass.
 POST 16. H. M. Warehouse, age 58; I. M., 46th Mass.
 POST 16. Christopher Scudder, age 66; corporal, Co. A, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 21. Friedrich Moeller, age 46; private, Co. D, 14th N.Y. Cav.
 POST 22. George W. Mason, age 45; corporal, Co. G, 40th N.Y.
 POST 24. Wilson Sibley, age 55; private, Co. G, 15th Mass.
 POST 24. D. S. Jackson, age 40; private, Co. C, 42d Mass.
 POST 25. Samuel D. Gregory, age 38; private, Co. F, 2d Mass.
 POST 25. Noah Wilcox, age 64; private, Co. H, 25th Mass.
 POST 25. Charles M. Hall, age 49; musician, 51st Mass.
 POST 25. J. P. McQuade, age 48; private, 20th Maine.
 POST 26. Abiel R. Henry, age 51; private, Co. K, 4th Mass.
 POST 30. Daniel Blanchard, age 33; private, Co. H, 11th Mass.
 POST 31. M. Merritt, age 65; private, Co. C, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 32. Charles M. Nason, age 52; private, Co. A, 35th Mass.
 POST 32. John J. Burns, age 47; sailor, U.S.S. *R. R. Cuyler*.
 POST 32. Patrick McCarty, age 39; tinman, U.S.S. *Sacramento*.
 POST 32. William Semple, age 59; private, Co. F, 1st Mass.
 POST 33. John McGovern, age 47; sailor, U.S.S. *Connecticut*.
 POST 34. John H. Stevenson, age 40; landsman, U.S.S. *Cherokee*.
 POST 34. Jeremiah Cronin, age 47; sergeant, Co. I, 9th Mass.
 POST 34. Patrick Foley, age 54; private, Co. B, 7th N.J.
 POST 34. Thos. J. Mallard, age 58; private, Co. D, 5th N.H.
 POST 35. Henry J. Keough, age 65; private, Co. K, 4th Me. Bat.
 POST 35. Levi D. Bullock, age 46; private, Co. G, 11th Mass.
 POST 35. John McKee, age 60; private, Co. H, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 35. I. C. Morrison, age 58; private, Co. H, 27th Mass.
 POST 35. Dexter Mitchell, age 50; 1st lieutenant, Co. C, 8th Mass.
 POST 35. G. W. Varney, age 41; seaman, U.S.S. *Essex*.
 POST 35. Daniel Hallahan, age 45; private, Co. B, 5th Mass.
 POST 36. Henry J. Crosby, age 47; private, Co. K, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 36. Charles Gibbins, age 47; landsman.
 POST 37. L. M. Prouty, age 54; private, Co. H, 10th Mass.
 POST 37. Augustus Cate, age 46; private, Co. D, 5th N.H.
 POST 38. F. S. Cooper, age 65; private, Co. A, 40th Mass.
 POST 39. Bernard Lane, age 39; private, Co. F, 13th Mass.
 POST 39. Patrick Daley, age 38; private, Co. D, 30th N.J.
 POST 39. John Cunningham, age 33; private, Co. I, 17th Mass.
 POST 39. James Buckley, age 62; private, Co. D, 4th Mass.
 POST 39. Daniel Derraine, age 26; private, Co. B, 2d Mass. H.A.
 POST 39. James Winning, age 43; private, Co. D, 4th Mass.
 POST 40. Benjamin P. Coates, age 68; private, Co. H, 24th Mass.
 POST 42. Daniel H. Stewart, age 46; corporal, Co. K, 5th Mass. Cav.
 POST 42. C. B. F. Hoyt, age 52; private, Co. G, 6th Mass.
 POST 42. Jerry McCarty, age 60; private, Co. G, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 42. John Allen, age 60; private, Co. A, 6th Mass.
 POST 42. W. A. Smith, age 56; private, 7th Mass. Bat.
 POST 45. Jessie McLoud, age 42; private, Co. G, 17th Mass.
 POST 46. James Deardar; seaman.
 POST 46. C. McAvery; fireman.
 POST 46. Daniel W. Riley, age 46; seaman.
 POST 46. Thomas Scanlon, age 49; private, Co. H, 17th Mass.
 POST 46. J. G. Hambly, age 45; private, Co. B, 7th Mass.
 POST 46. William Hamilton, age 46; landsman.
 POST 46. George Buswell, age 47; private, Co. F, 7th Maine.
 POST 47. Michael McCormack, age 31; private, Co. B, 17th M.V.M.
 POST 47. M. C. Burleigh, age 40; private, Co. G, 50th M.V.M.
 POST 48. William H. Craig, age 46; private, Co. B, 1st Mass. Cav.
 POST 49. George S. Noyes, age 42; private, Co. H, 8th Mass.

- POST 49. C. F. Rochemont, age 46; private, Co. H, 60th Mass.
 POST 49. John Wells, age 81; private, Co. B, 19th Mass.
 POST 49. Wm. W. Marshall, age 50; private, Co. A, 17th M.V.M.
 POST 49. Enoch Shaw, age 70; private, Co. M, 4th Mass. Cav.
 POST 51. E. R. Druey, age 40; private, Co. I, 22d Wisconsin.
 POST 56. H. A. Fillebrown, age 44; private, Co. B, 2d Mass. H.A.
 POST 57. Timothy Ryan, age 48; sergeant, Co. E, 60th Mass.
 POST 57. Moses Dudley, age 42; private, Co. A, 16th Mass.
 POST 57. Michael McNulty, age 44; private, Co. A, 16th Mass.
 POST 60. Ellis M. Curtis, age 41; private, 1st R.I. Lt. Bat.
 POST 62. G. J. Weston; private, 22d Mass.
 POST 63. M. Atwood, age 61; private, Co. E, 23d Mass.
 POST 63. M. McKenzie, age 38; private, Co. K, 15th Mass.
 POST 63. Samuel Swinburn, age 51; private, Co. K, 16th Mass.
 POST 66. F. S. Ryonson, age 45; private, Co. K, 17th Mass.
 POST 66. Albert F. Dorr, age 51; sergeant, Co. E, 39th Mass.
 POST 66. P. Cushing, Jr.; private, Co. E, 5th M.V.M.
 POST 66. H. B. Howe, age 50; private, Co. F, 5th M.V.M.
 POST 68. Morris Morony, age 52; private, 6th Mass. Bat.
 POST 68. Gilman L. Hill, age 50; corporal, Co. H, 39th Mass.
 POST 68. G. V. Nordstrom, age 56; musician, 18th Mass.
 POST 68. John B. Waid, age 52; captain, Co. G, 1st Maine Vet.
 POST 68. Henry E. Smith, age 64; private, Co. H, 56th M.V.M.
 POST 85. Chas. E. Woodward, age 51; private, Co. D, 31st M.V.M.
 POST 85. Chas. S. Robinson, age 45; private, Co. K, 34th M.V.M.
 POST 86. C. Van Slike, age 44; sergeant, Co. F, 77th N.Y.
 POST 86. Charles C. Loud, age 41; drummer, Co. A, 27th Mass.
 POST 87. S. W. Perkins, age 44; corporal, Co. C, 7th Mass.
 POST 88. Charles A. Follett, age 43; corporal, 5th Mass. Bat.
 POST 89. E. Giles, age 35; 2d lieutenant, Co. E, 8th Mass.
 POST 89. Warren A. Smith, age 43; private.
 POST 89. James Morris, age 61; private, Co. D, 14th Mass.
 POST 90. Thomas Barnett, age 60; sergeant, Co. K, 8th Mass.
 POST 90. W. H. Leslie, age 54; private, Co. B, 11th Mass.
 POST 90. Fred Silloway, age 50; private, Co. I, 3d N.H.
 POST 93. Richard Smith, age 44; private, Co. E, 100th N.Y.
 POST 100. S. W. Dame, age 73; private, Co. F, 13th N.H.
 POST 100. Thomas Martin, age 50; private, Co. B, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 104. Samuel Bronsdon, age 65; musician, Co. I, 4th Mass.
 POST 105. C. N. Harrington, age 63; corporal, Co. I, 51st Mass.
 POST 106. George Hodgkins, age 66; mate, U.S.S. *Penobscot*.
 POST 107. F. H. Johnson, age 36; private, Co. E, 12th Maine.
 POST 110. H. B. Howard, age 48; private, Co. D, 4th Mass.
 POST 112. Joseph W. Morris, age 56; private, Co. F, 43d Mass.
 POST 112. Benjamin M. Young, age 49; private, Co. H, 12th Mass.
 POST 113. C. C. Burnbuss, age 73; captain, Co. C, 4th Mass.
 POST 114. E. N. Nickerson, age 61; sergeant, Co. F, 26th Mass.
 POST 116. Thomas Barret, age 43; private, Co. A, 57th Mass.
 POST 118. James Umber, age 41; private, Co. G, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 118. James Frahar, age 42; private, Co. C, 17th Mass.
 POST 120. Elias Lyons, age 37; private, Co. C, Un. Inf.
 POST 120. Louis Maynard, age 46; landsman, U.S.S. *St. Clair*.
 POST 120. Henry A. Conant, age 44; private, Co. C, 30th Mass.
 POST 120. Fred E. Robbins, age 35; musician, Co. A, 13th Maine.
 POST 120. Frank C. Horn, age 47; private, Co. C, 6th Mass.
 POST 120. C. W. Goodhue, age 50; private, Co. C, 6th Mass.
 POST 123. William Barnes, age 56; private, Co. C, 14th N.H.
 POST 128. Asher Blake, age 78; private, Co. L, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 128. Samuel Norwood, age 42; corporal, Co. F, 35th Mass.
 POST 128. George H. Farnum, age 52; private, 1st Mass. Art.
 POST 131. E. B. Soule, age 42; private, Co. A, 1st R.I. Cav.
 POST 131. G. O. Warner, age 46; private, Co. H, 10th Mass.

- POST 134. John J. Bailey, age 60; steward, U.S.S. *Stepping Stone*.
POST 134. John Shorter, age 40; private, Co. G, 54th Mass.
POST 136. John A. Cummings, age 60; private, Co. K, 36th Mass.
POST 139. Patrick McShane, age 50; private, Co. F, 11th Mass.
POST 139. John E. Ashley, age 56; private, Co. F, 44th Mass.
POST 145. L. O. Hawkins, age 52; private, Co. F, 38th Mass.
POST 147. C. B. Cutter, age 81; private, Co. F, 37th Mass.
POST 149. John D. Flynn, age 48; corporal, Co. G, 2d Mass.
POST 153. James J. Baldwin, age 58; corporal, Co. D, 10th N.H.
POST 153. John P. Comer, age 49; private, Co. C, 32d Mass.
POST 155. Daniel O'Keefe, age 39; private, Co. D, 57th Mass.
POST 156. A. W. Bullock, age 65; sergeant, Co. C, 3d Mass. Cav.
POST 157. C. F. Randall, age 54; private, Co. D, 11th R.I.
POST 159. C. F. Morgan, age 41; private, Co. B, 1st Mass.
POST 159. William Lewis, age 48; private, Co. C, 18th Mass.
POST 159. Benjamin B. Davis, age 52; private, Co. B, 24th Mass.
POST 159. Charles Sweeney, age 61; private, Co. A, 32d Mass.
POST 164. C. G. Townsend, age 48; private, Co. D, 52d Mass.
POST 165. Julius B. Chandler, age 48; private, Co. G, 12th Mass.
POST 175. George A. Foss, age 42; private, Co. I, 44th Mass.
POST 176. S. J. Stewart, age 50; corporal, Co. B, 13th N.Y.
POST 180. George P. Horr, age 56; sergeant-major, 47th Mass.

GENERAL ORDERS.

SERIES OF 1885-6.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON Sq., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Feb. 10, 1885.

1. Having been called by the suffrages of my comrades, through their representatives in the late Department Convention, to the high and honorable position of Department Commander, I hereby assume the duties and responsibilities of the office, sincerely trusting that I may receive the hearty and zealous co operation of every comrade of the Department, whether he be the highest official or the humblest comrade in the ranks.

Comrades, there has been committed to our hands a truly grand and noble work—that of building up and maintaining an organization composed of men who periled their lives that the nation might live, and the principal objects and aims of which are to see that no worthy comrade who wore the blue, nor the widows and orphans of our fellow-comrades, suffer for the comforts of life, become inmates of an almshouse or fill a pauper's grave.

Do we fully realize the importance and sacredness of our work? If so, I trust that Post officers and comrades will at once devise and put into immediate and practical operation in their respective localities measures whereby every worthy old veteran may be sought out and, if possible, brought into our ranks, to join with us in our work; for the fact still remains, that thousands of our former comrades who touched elbows with us in the long ago are for some reason still outside our beloved organization.

Under the wise and zealous administration of my predecessors in office, our Department has moved steadily forward in its course of prosperity, until today it stands second to none, unless it be in numerical strength: and every comrade has reason to feel justly proud of the position which we now occupy. But the work must not stop here: this is our harvest time; and I sincerely trust that every comrade will at once interest himself in the work of gathering into the fold of the Grand Army every worthy old veteran.

II. I desire to call especial attention to the grand carnival to be held in the city of Boston the coming spring under the auspices and for the benefit of our Soldiers' Home, the pride of every comrade and a living monument to our devotion and fidelity to the principles of the Order, and sincerely trust that not one single Post in all our Department will fail to contribute in some way or degree to the success of this grand and noble enterprise.

Additional appointments will appear in future orders.

III. The following comrades have been appointed members of my Official Staff. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Assistant Adjutant-General, Alfred Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.
Assistant Quartermaster-General, W. W. Scott of Post 10, Worcester.
Chief Mustering Officer, Charles Fay of Post 16, Springfield.

IV. All official correspondence and invitations for the Department Commander should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }
 BOSTON, March 18, 1885.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 2. }

I. The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Inspector, B. Read Wales of Post 68, Dorchester.
Judge Advocate, Henry Winn of Post 93, Shelburne Falls.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| E. W. Lathrop . . . | Springfield. | Jos. B. Everdean . . . | Chelsea. |
| David Dunbar . . . | Weymouth. | Henry W. Weeks . . . | Dedham. |
| Thos. Langlan . . . | Boston. | Cyrus T. Batchelor . . . | Peabody. |
| Sidney Sibley . . . | Fitchburg. | Geo. N. Munsell . . . | Harwich. |
| Horace J. Gray . . . | Cambridgeport. | Wm. McDonald . . . | Housatonic. |
| Wm. L. Gage . . . | So. Braintree. | Chas. A. Spencer . . . | Everett. |
| E. Warren Harbark . . . | Upton. | Chas. F. Urann . . . | Lowell. |
| Chas. H. Fuller . . . | S. Framingham. | Thomas J. Tute . . . | Boston. |
| E. J. Dyer . . . | So. Boston. | Geo. W. Corey . . . | Southbridge. |
| Benj. A. Sawyer . . . | Duxbury. | Flavel Shurtleff . . . | East Boston. |
| H. C. Comins . . . | Amherst. | Geo. A. Ayling . . . | So. Scituate. |
| Geo. H. Prescott . . . | Westfield. | E. C. Marsh . . . | Marlboro. |
| H. M. Converse . . . | Warren. | Thomas K. Gay . . . | Attleboro. |
| J. A. Loomis . . . | Easthampton. | Oliver H. Ingalls . . . | Franklin. |
| George Perkins . . . | Woburn. | Wm. A. Croak . . . | Randolph. |
| E. K. Bly . . . | New Bedford. | W. H. Cross . . . | Gloucester. |
| Thos. J. Ames . . . | Leominster. | L. M. Alden . . . | Middleboro. |
| A. S. Atherton . . . | Wakefield. | Benj. A. Hathaway . . . | Plymouth. |
| Frank B. Peabody . . . | Lowell. | Samuel S. Pratt . . . | Danvers. |
| Charles E. Woodward . . . | Ware. | J. Albert Mills . . . | Newburyport. |
| B. F. Brooks . . . | Ware. | N. H. Houghton . . . | Hopkinton. |
| Geo. E. Teele . . . | Watertown. | T. Spencer Jenks . . . | Worcester. |
| D. H. L. Gleason . . . | Natick. | Wm. E. Jaquith . . . | Athol. |
| Emerson Stone . . . | Spencer. | Arthur Smith . . . | Colerain. |
| Geo. T. Fayweather . . . | Westboro. | Chas. C. Burdett . . . | Conway. |
| Edwin C. Gould . . . | Melrose. | J. Warren Berry . . . | Andover. |
| Geo. R. Spooner . . . | Adams. | Henry Hutchins . . . | E. Douglass. |
| E. D. Hutchinson . . . | Huntington. | | |

II. A list of officers elected at the annual Encampment of this Department held at Boston, January 29 and 30, will appear in the Roster. Two Rosters will be forwarded to each Post, one to be filed with General Orders, the other for the use of the Post Commander.

III. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for first quarter will be due April 1, and I trust they will be forwarded promptly. Adjutants

and Quartermasters are reminded that they should confer not only regarding the number reported last quarter, but account for gains and losses, and give the names as called for in the recapitulation of muster-roll and notes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Care should be exercised that the number remaining in good standing in Form A and the number paid for on Form B shall agree. I would call the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports, seeing that all requirements are complied with, and, after signing both reports, forward the same, together with the *per capita* tax, eight cents per member in good standing, to these headquarters.

IV. Attention of Posts is particularly invited to the accompanying circular on the subjects of suspensions.

V. Comrades are warned against John H. Leslie and Alfred Preston; Leslie claims membership in Sumner Post 24, New York City. The Commander informs me they have no such member; said Leslie is of medium height, dark complexion, and always has a sick wife to assist him. Preston claims membership in the last Post that he has victimized. Head them off! They are first-class beats.

VI. The address is wanted at this office of any member of Co. H, 2d California Cavalry, who was at the battle of Bear River, Washington Territory, Jan. 20, 1863. Any shipmate on U.S.S. *Lackawanna*, August, '64; any member of Co. B, 21st Mass. Inf., who served in the company prior to October, '62; any member of Co. K, 11th Mass. Inf.; any two comrades who served in Andersonville Prison in '64, who knew Michael Gordon captured in battle of Wilderness, May, '64; any shipmate who served on U.S.S. *R. R. Cuyler*, in '62 or '63; Capt. Geo. F. Holman, 2d Mass. Cav.; Charles Follansbee and Daniel Flynn, Co. H, 2d Mass. H. A., or any two members who served in said company at Newbern, N C.; Capt. Aaron Ring, Quartermaster, 13th Maine; two comrades who served in U.S. Marines, on U.S.S. *St. Louis*, stationed at Hilton Head, in '64.

VII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Thomas L. D. Cannon of Post 134, Boston, are hereby approved and said Cannon is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VIII. General Orders No. 12 and Circular No. 3 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 3. }

BOSTON, April 8, 1885.

I. In accordance with General Orders No. 13, National Headquarters, a thorough inspection of all the Posts in this Department is hereby ordered, and as the inspections are to be completed and reports forwarded by May 15, it may be necessary in some instances to call special meetings of Posts. It is hoped that Commanders of Posts will do all they can to aid the inspecting officers.

II. Comrade Geo. D. Stiles of Post 5, Lynn, is appointed Aid-de-Camp, on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

III. The following Aides-de-camp are hereby detailed to act as Assistant Inspectors, and are assigned to duty by the Department Inspector to the several Posts, as follows:—

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| Henry Hutchins | 168, 173 |
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IV. The attention of comrades is called to the renewed interest manifested in our Order by the large increase of membership the past year. Much still remains to be done; there are thousands of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors in our State who are eligible to membership in our Order. We should use every effort to interest them in our work; every comrade, however humble, can do something to help swell our ranks. I would recommend to each Post the appointment of a committee of active, zealous workers to make an immediate and systematic canvass of the city or town in which they are located, and not rest content until all who are worthy and eligible are enrolled under the banner of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

V. The address is wanted at this office of any comrades of Co. E, 13th Mass. Inf., who knew Sergt. Henry Dove of said company; any comrade of the 36th Mass. Inf. who was in the convalescent camp at Crab Orchard, Ky., in Fall of 1863; John H. Doughty, Post Surgeon at Newbern, N.C., in 1863; Wm. Harrington or Jeremiah Reardon, Co. K, 146 N.Y. Regt.

VI. General Orders, No. 14, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

BOSTON, May 7, 1885.

In accordance with Rules and Regulations and in compliance with General Orders, No. 15, from National Headquarters, Saturday, May 30, will be observed by the comrades of this Department as Memorial Day.

The Department Commander with confidence commits to the various Posts and comrades of the Department the duty of making suitable arrangements for the proper observance of this, to us, the most hallowed and sacred day of all the year, and trusts that Post Commanders and comrades will endeavor to make such arrangements for its observance as will be a credit to our organization and an honor to the memory of the brave men whose graves we decorate; and above all to discountenance everything that would tend to make the day aught else than that which it was intended to be, a *Memorial Day*.

How fitting and appropriate that in this beautiful springtime, when nature is robed in her fairest and best, a grateful people should turn aside from the usual duties of life, and gathering together the choicest of the floral gems which nature so bountifully provides, cast them as a heart-offering upon the graves of our patriotic dead.

And also how fitting and proper that on this day our schools should close their doors, and turn aside from their usual duties, that our youth may join in the exercises and thereby catch the inspirations and learn the loyal lessons of patriotism and devotion which those whose memory we thus honor practiced so well. Above all, how fitting and appropriate it is, my comrades, that we should lead in this pilgrimage to these sacred shrines, for to us the observance of this day has a peculiar significance all our own, for these brave men whose memory we thus honor were our comrades, and bound to us by ties welded in the fire of battle.

Let us, therefore, see to it that no comrade's grave is passed by unhonored, but that the flag they so bravely defended, and in defence of which they died, waves over each, and that every mound is strewn with fairest and sweetest of spring flowers.

It is earnestly desired and requested that Posts will, if possible, make arrangements to attend service at some place of public worship on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5 }

BOSTON, May 25, 1885.

I. Circulars Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7, from National Headquarters, are herewith promulgated.

II. The headquarters of this Department, during the National Encampment at Portland, June 23, 24 and 25, will be at the armory in the old City Hall, at the junction of Congress and Middle streets, near the Preble House, where rooms have been engaged for the Department Commander and delegates. At these headquarters will be found writing material and a Staff officer on duty to attend to the wants and comfort of the comrades.

It is hoped that all comrades from Massachusetts will make an effort to visit Portland during the Encampment, and go prepared to take part in the parade on the 23d. If your own Post is not present in a body, fall in with some other Post, for as our Department is the largest in the New England States, much will be expected of it, and it is in our power to make the parade, as far as Massachusetts is concerned, a grand success. Her sons never failed to respond when called upon at the battle front. We cannot afford to tarnish her reputation now.

III. Commanders of Posts that have made arrangements to attend the National Encampment in a body, are requested to notify these headquarters by the 15th of June, stating the number of men they expect to have in line. The hour and place of assembly, and to whom to report, with all details, will be announced in future orders.

IV. The address is wanted at this office of Corp. Lyman B Parkhurst, Chas. A. Green, or any member of Co. D, 15th Mass. Inf., who knew Sergt. John S. Knight of said company; Nath'l Goodwin, Co. M, 32d Mass. Inf.; John Waitt or Sergt. Prouty of Co. L, said regiment; any member of Mess No. 2, of the crew of U.S. S. *Mohegan*, who were in the bombardment of Fort Fisher, 1864; any member of Co. I, 4th Mass. Cav.; Geo. McKona, Co. G, 3d Maine, transferred to the 17th Maine; Capt. A. S. Parker, or John L. Daniels, Co. F, 61st Mass. Inf.; Geo. W. Clark, Asst. Surgeon 17th Mass. Inf.; John Kinsley and Chas. Smith, or any member of the crew of U.S. Gunboat *Cherokee*, 1864; Capt Joseph Gilbert, 1st Lieut. Joseph Everhart, 2d Lieut. John McGinnes, Co. C, 91st Pa. Inf.

V. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Wm. H. Lovering, Quartermaster of Chas. H. Stevens Post 53, Leominster, and Chas. Batchelder of Major How Post 47, Haverhill, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

BOSTON, June 12, 1885.

I. General Orders, Nos. 16 and 17, from National Headquarters are hereby promulgated.

II. Comrade P. H. O'Connell of Post 90, Danvers, is appointed Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly. This appointment is made on account of his distinguished service and suffering.

III. The fare from Boston to Portland and return, *via* Boston & Maine Railroad, \$3.00; *via* boat, \$1.50.

From local points on Boston & Albany, Fitchburg, and Boston, Hoosac Tunnel & Western, and Central Vermont railroads, rates will be made based on three and one-half cents per mile one way.

From all points in New England, tickets to be good for going passage June 19 to 24, 1885, inclusive; returning until June 30, 1885, inclusive.

Trains leave Boston, *via* Boston & Maine, Western Division, 9 A. M., 12.30, 3.30 and 6 P. M.; Eastern Division, 7.30 and 9 A. M., 12.30 and 7 P. M. Those desiring quarters at the Camp, hotels or private families address Comrade A. M. Sawyer, Secretary of the Executive Committee, No. 398 Congress street, Portland.

IV. I desire to call the especial attention of Post Commanders to Paragraph III, General Orders, No. 5, this Department.

V. Upon the arrival of Posts at Portland, Commanders will report either personally or by their Adjutants at the headquarters of the Department of Massachusetts (Old City Hall, junction of Congress and Middle streets), to A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General, giving the number of men in their commands and where they are located. Full details of the parade will then be given. It was expected that these would be published in Orders, but not having been received from the Chief Marshal they cannot now be promulgated.

VI. In order that the drill may be uniform throughout, the Department Commanders of Posts are earnestly requested to accustom their commands to the following movements: Fours right, fours left, right by twos, form fours, right front into line, right forward fours right. These movements are very simple and can be learned in a very short time, and if used by all the Posts, will add much to the appearance of the Massachusetts division.

VII. The Department of Massachusetts will be honored at Portland by being made a division under the command of the Department Officers. To show that this is appreciated, it is hoped that the division will be a large one, and that all comrades who possibly can do so will be there. All whose Posts are not present in a body are requested to report at headquarters to the Assistant Adjutant-General, and will be assigned a place in line. The route will be a short one, and none will be overtaxed. The Department Commander hopes that no comrades from Massachu-

setts will content themselves with being spectators, but will participate in the parade.

All comrades wishing to visit Portland by rail will apply to their Post Commanders for a certificate, which will enable them to purchase tickets at reduced rates. If the Post goes as a body each Commander can purchase all the tickets necessary by exhibiting *one* certificate, but each comrade going alone will need one.

VIII. The address is wanted at this office of any member of Company A, 3d Mass. H.A.; any shipmate who served on U.S. S. *Varuna* at New Orleans, 1862, who remembers Wm. Perkins of said ship; any member of first detachment, 8th Mass. Batt.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7. }

BOSTON, June 20, 1885.

The following details are announced for the parade at Portland, Me., on Tuesday, June 23, 1885:—

The headquarters of this Department will be at the junction of Milburne and North streets, after 10 A.M., until the column moves.

This Department of the Grand Army of the Republic will constitute the Third Grand Division, and will form promptly at 10.30 A.M. on Milburne street, with the right resting at North street, making a continuous line as follows:—

Department Colors.

Drum Corps.

E. K. Wilcox Post 16, Springfield, Aug. 9, 1867—150 men, Chas. H. Allison Commander, escort to Department Commander John W. Hersey and Staff.

Past Department Commanders.

Delegates to the Encampment.

The Department will be divided into three sub-divisions. The first division will be under command of Comrade Richard F. Tobin, Senior Vice-Commander, whose headquarters will be at the corner of Milburne and North streets, where the following Posts constituting the first sub-division will report promptly and be assigned position in line in the order given below.

General Lander Post 5 of Lynn, Feb. 27, 1867—300 men, Geo. C. Neal Commander.
Charles Russel Lowell Post 7 of Boston, March 11, 1867—150 men, Jeremiah Wakefield Commander.

John A. Andrew Post 15 of Boston, Aug. 6, 1867—150 men, John Keefe Commander.

Washington Post 32 of South Boston, Nov. 6, 1867—25 men, W. J. Blake Commander.

Theodore Winthrop Post 35 of Chelsea, Nov. 16, 1867—100 men, Ivory Allen Commander.

Benjamin Stone, Jr., Post 68 of Dorchester, Oct. 6, 1868—123 men, Charles D. Stiles Commander.

Abraham Lincoln Post 11 of Charlestown, April 23, 1867—75 men, Thomas H. Haskell Commander.

Major G. L. Stearns Post 149 of Charlestown, Dec. 11, 1872—25 men, D. W. Thompson Commander.

John A. Hawes Post 159 of East Boston, Sept. 7, 1883—60 men, Flavel Shurtleff Commander.

Needham Post 39 of Lawrence, Dec. 10, 1867—100 men, James J. Stanley Commander.

The second sub-division will be under command of Comrade Chas. D. Nash, Junior Vice-Commander, whose headquarters will be on Mil-

burne street. The following Posts constitute the second sub-division, and will be formed in the order given below.

Colonel Allen Post 45 of Gloucester, Jan. 21, 1870—75 men, W. H. Cross Commander.
 Major How Post 47 of Haverhill, Jan. 28, 1868—75 men, W. H. Johnson Commander.
 Union Post 50 of Peabody, April 28, 1879—25 men, Geo. F. Barnes Commander.
 J. H. Chipman, Jr., Post 89 of Beverly, June 5, 1869—50 men, John Hannus Commander.
 Ward Post 90 of Danvers, June 8, 1869—50 men, S. S. Pratt Commander.
 Phil H. Sheridan Post 34 of Salem, Nov. 15, 1867—64 men, Samuel Worcester Commander.
 General James Appleton Post 128 of Ipswich, Jan. 17, 1882—50 men, Luther Wait Commander.
 U. S. Grant Post 4 of Melrose, Feb. 13, 1867—30 men, E. C. Gould Commander.
 H. M. Warren Post 12 of Wakefield, Aug. 16, 1867—100 men, A. S. Atherton Commander.
 Wm. H. Smart Post 30 of Cambridgeport, Oct. 23, 1867—150 men, Samuel Hall Commander.
 B. F. Butler Post 42 of Lowell, Jan. 15, 1868—100 men, Frank B. Peabody Commander.
 J. P. Gould Post 75 of Stoneham, Dec. 15, 1869—50 men, S. C. Colley Commander.
 General Wadsworth Post 63 of Natick, July 23, 1880—50 men, D. E. George Commander.
 James A. Garfield Post 120 of Lowell, Oct. 26, 1881—150 men, W. W. Tuttle Commander.
 Isaac Davis Post 138 of Acton, May 2, 1883—40 men, Charles B. Sanders Commander.

The third sub-division will be under command of Comrade B. Read Wales, Department Inspector, whose headquarters will be on Milburne street. The following Posts constitute the third sub-division, and will form in the order given below.

George H. Ward Post 10 of Worcester, April 13, 1867—150 men, W. L. Robinson Commander.
 Edwin V. Sumner Post 19 of Fitchburg, Aug. 16, 1867—140 men, Ira G. Wilkins Commander.
 Gilman C. Parker Post 153 of Winchendon, March 6, 1883—30 men, T. K. Parker Commander.
 W. W. Rockwell Post 125 of Pittsfield, March 10, 1882—100 men, O. L. Wood Commander.
 Fletcher Webster Post 13 of Brockton, July 1, 1867—50 men, George A. Grant Commander.
 Richard Borden Post 46 of Fall River, Jan. 22, 1868—75 men, John H. Abbott Commander.
 Hartsuff Post 74 of Rockland, Jan. 11, 1869—75 men, E. T. Harvell Commander.
 Collingwood Post 76 of Plymouth, Jan. 19, 1869—40 men, B. A. Hathaway Commander.
 Martha Seaver Post 154 of Kingston, May 24, 1883—30 men, Frank C. Hill Commander.
 Reynolds Post 58 of Weymouth, July 2, 1868—150 men, B. S. Lovell Commander.
 Timothy Ingraham Post 121 of Hyde Park, March 11, 1870—50 men, G. G. Bailey, Jr., Commander.
 Paul Revere Post 88 of Quincy, June 4, 1869—60 men, J. M. Holt Commander.

Posts will assemble at the time and place mentioned above, and be assigned to their proper position in line by Division Commanders.

A guidon will be placed at the proper point to indicate the right of each sub-division.

The command will move by columns of platoons of *eight* files front, with a guide, and unless otherwise ordered, or to pass obstacles, will retain this formation throughout the parade, preserving wheeling distance. Comrades in the ranks must be cautioned not to salute while marching. The salutes will be given by officers, band, drum corps and colors.

Full information in regard to amusements and entertainments will be found in the official program of the Executive Committee.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 8. }

BOSTON, July 16, 1885.

I. The National Encampment G.A.R. recently held in the city of Portland, Me., was the most successful and enthusiastic in the history of our organization, and can but result in great good in the upbuilding and strengthening of the Order, especially in our own Department; and I desire to improve this opportunity to express to the Department Officers, both past and present, and to the comrades of the Department, my appreciation and sincerest thanks for the interest manifested by them on that occasion, which resulted in the excellent display that our Department made, as to members present, perfect discipline and general appearance. The Department Commander feels that he cannot speak in terms of too high praise and appreciation of the comrades who contributed so much in bringing about these gratifying results.

Whilst we did not, as a Department, secure all that we desired in the way of National Officers, yet I can but congratulate my comrades that in the selection of officers of the National Woman's Relief Corps, that grand and noble organization which has done and still is doing so much, especially in our own Department, to aid us in carrying forward the charitable work of our Order, *Massachusetts again came to the front*, and Mrs. Sarah E. Fuller of East Boston, the tried and true friend of the soldier, was elected National President; a result that can but gladden the heart of every comrade who has ever been brought within the circle of her influence.

The reports now coming in indicate that we are still on the upward wave and the comrades have not been idle during the past quarter, but are determined not to remain quiet nor be content until every worthy old soldier and sailor is brought within our ranks. I sincerely hope and trust that even in these vacation months of the present quarter, we may not cease our efforts nor slacken our zeal for the interests and prosperity of our organization, but that every comrade may resolve that he will do something at least to help forward the good work, so that we may be ready when the heated season is past to enter upon a vigorous fall campaign, in which there shall be a forward movement along the line.

II. The following new Post has been organized:—

GALEN ORR Post 181, Needham, A. D. Kingsbury, Commander.

III. The address is wanted at this office of Capt. W. S. Potter, Co. A, 62d Mass. Inf.; of Dr. Hamilton, surgeon in charge of Portsmouth Grove Hospital, R.I., in 1863; of Capt. Edwin L. Knight, Co. E, 10th Mass. Inf.; of Capt. H. B. Welch, Co. C, 5th Mass. Cav.; any officer or comrade of Co. H, 9th Mass. Inf.; of Samuel Mills, Sergeant Co. D. 2d Mass. H.A.; any shipmate on the U.S. S. *Constellation* from 1861 to 1864 who knew John Glenn, a master at arms on said ship.

IV. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of George P. Buzzell of Major How Post 47 of Haverhill are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
 Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, } BOSTON, July 24, 1885.
 No. 9. }

Comrades: It is with feelings of profound sorrow that the Commander has to announce to the comrades of this Department the death of our honored and beloved comrade, the illustrious soldier and statesman, the invincible leader, the magnanimous conqueror,

General U. S. Grant,

who died on the morning of the 23d inst., surrounded by his family and friends.

With what intense anxiety have we as a people, and especially his comrades, watched him, as for months he has been heroically battling with that relentless foe which knows no conqueror; and though we may have loved and honored him in the past, how much more have we loved and honored him in the terrible struggle which has just closed in which he has manifested in a sublime degree the same grand and heroic qualities that always characterized him, and which made him the savior of a nation and the idol of its people.

Who, my comrades, can more fully realize and measure the loss we as an organization and a people have sustained in the death of an honored and beloved commander than those who followed where he led, and who stood with him in those terrible years of strife and suffering, when the fate of the nation and the freedom and happiness of the oppressed hung trembling in the balance, which finally culminating at Appomattox, has forever made the name of Ulysses S. Grant honored and revered by the patriotic and liberty-loving people the wide world over.

But while we mourn our loss, my comrades, it is with a soldier's submission that we bow at the shrine where is laid our honored commander and beloved comrade. The Department Commander would respectfully suggest that as far as practicable Posts at once call special meetings and appoint committees to act in conjunction with the citizens of the various localities in which Posts are situated, and make arrangements for public services suitable to the occasion on the day the funeral shall take place. In recognition of the great loss which we as an organization have sustained in the death of our comrade, it is hereby ordered that the charters and colors of the various Posts of the Department be suitably draped in mourning and that mourning be worn by Department and Post Officers, when on duty, for the period of sixty days.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
 Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
 Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 10. }

BOSTON, Sept. 26, 1885.

I. The Commander desires to express to the comrades of the Department his appreciation and thanks for their earnest efforts in the past in building up and strengthening our Order throughout the Department, and also to congratulate them upon the success which has attended their labors. The experience and observations of the past few months has more thoroughly convinced the Commander than ever before that the Grand Army of the Republic is an organization which may well engage the attention and most earnest endeavors of every honorably discharged soldier and sailor, and one which they need not be ashamed to belong to, and certainly one which they cannot afford to remain outside of, and believing that every comrade of the Department is in sympathy with him in this feeling, he earnestly hopes that every one, whatever may be his position, will strive during the few remaining months of the year, by earnest and persistent personal work, to bring into our ranks every worthy veteran who is entitled to membership in our Order, so that our Department may still maintain the honorable position which it now occupies among the Departments of the country.

II. I desire to call the especial attention of Post officers to the suspended list, and trust that every effort possible will be made to reduce it to its lowest possible limits.

III. The Department Inspector will complete arrangements for the annual fall inspection of the various Posts, and it is hoped that Post officers and comrades will afford the Assistant Inspectors every facility for making a thorough and systematic inspection of their Posts.

IV. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for third quarter will be due October 1, and I hope they will be forwarded promptly. All Posts who fail to get their correct reports to these headquarters by the 15th of October will be reported in General Orders. Post Commanders will see that the reports are in his hand by October 1, also that the Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports agree as to the number in good standing, sign and forward same together, never singly, with *per capita* tax (8 cents per member) to the Assistant Adjutant-General. In case the Commander is away the Senior Vice-Commander should sign and forward same without delay.

V. Comrades are warned against John Casey, a suspended member of Post 42 of Lowell. He is reported to these headquarters by the Commander of Post 42 as a first-class beat and not deserving of aid. Comrades are also warned to look out for one Charles S. Kingsley, claiming to belong to James A. Garfield Post 7, Department of the Potomac, Washington, D C., who has victimized several Posts in Massachusetts. Said Kingsley can have a fit or broken arm whenever it is for his interest to do so; he is not only a beat but a scoundrel, and has been dishonorably discharged from the Order.

VI. The Grand Army decoration button adopted by the National Encampment can be obtained at these headquarters. Price ten cents.

VII. The address is wanted at this office of Sergt. Geo. A. Chute, Co. K, 59th Mass. Inf.; Wm. Nichols, Surgeon 3d Mass. H.A.; Surgeon Hall Curtis, James Emmerton, J. C. Barrington and J. H. Denney, Assistant Surgeon, all in 2d Mass. H.A.; Patrick O. Hare and Henry Smith, Co. M, 2d Mass. H.A.; Lieut Jas. C. Ring, Co. C, 1st Frontier Cav.; any member of Co. C, 1st Mass. Cav.; Sergt. Geo. H. Morse, Co. C, 29th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. E, 4th Mass. Cav.; any member

of Co. G, 19th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. A, 23d Mass. Inf., who knew Lysander F. Thompson of said company; of James G. Anderson, Co. H, 27th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. K, 146th N.Y. Inf.; of some shipmate on U.S. Gunboat *Ironage*, when she was lost off Wilmington, N.C., who knew Joseph J. Gilman; of any shipmate on board U.S. S. *Fearnaught* in 1862, who knew John C. Smith of said ship; of any shipmate on board U.S. Gunboat *Carondelet* in 1861, who knew Henry Smith, seaman on said gunboat; of Newton E. Hitchcock of U.S. S. *Vermont*; of some commissioned officer of the 1st Mass. Inf., or 9th Mass. Batty., who knew Marcellus E. Fay of said regiment and battery.

VIII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of George A. Bent of Paul Revere Post 88 G.A.R. of Quincy are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 11. }

BOSTON, Oct. 12, 1885.

In accordance with Paragraph No. 3, General Orders, No. 10, each Post will be inspected previous to December 15. Post Commanders are requested to do all in their power to aid the Assistant Inspectors so that the returns may not be delayed, holding extra meetings whenever necessary.

In addition to the assignments previously made, General Orders, No. 3, the following inspections are announced:—

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| Thos. J. Ames | 59 |
| A. A. Smith | 79 |
| E. W. Lathorp | 107 |
| B. A. Hathaway | 112, 127 |
| L. M. Alden | 124 |
| Wm. McDonald | 125 |
| H. M. Converse | 155 |
| E. D. Hutchinson | 158 |
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| Henry W. Weeks | 181 |

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

B. READ WALES,
Department Inspector.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 12. }

BOSTON, Nov. 14, 1885.

I. At a regular quarterly meeting of the Council of Administration held October 22, one member being absent, after a thorough discussion the following motion was unanimously adopted: "That the Council of Administration consider it inexpedient to follow out the suggestions contained in Circular No. 1 from National Headquarters, in regard to the Grant Monument Fund, and that the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General be requested to express the views of the Council relative to this matter in the next General Order." The reason for this action expressed by the above vote is as follows: That while as a Department we yield to none in our love and admiration for him whose memory this proposed monument seeks to perpetuate, yet we can but feel the plan suggested in the Circular for the accomplishment of this object is not our proper and legitimate work. The Grand Army living and dead have already raised a monument to the honor and memory of General Grant that is grander and nobler than any that can be built of bronze, marble or granite; one that will stand long after all these have crumbled away. We heartily believe in a monument for our old commander and comrade, one as grand and costly as was ever raised by a grateful nation in honor of its defenders. But we feel the Grand Army as an organization ought not to be called upon to assume the burden and responsibility of this undertaking, but this task should be performed by a grateful people who are today reaping such substantial benefits because of the heroic and self-sacrificing services which he and those who stood with him rendered to their country. To comply with the request in the Circular that a sum equal to fifteen cents *per capita* for each member in good standing be contributed would take \$2646.45 from the funds of the Posts of this Department, and would in many instances seriously cripple and hinder them in carrying forward their charitable work. In view of the fact that winter is close upon us, and as our comrades grow older they become less able to care for themselves, the demands upon our funds will be such that we do not feel justified in asking the Posts to make this appropriation. This, of course, does not preclude any Post or comrade who may feel disposed from making voluntary contributions in aid of this object; and any money so contributed and forwarded to Assistant Adjutant-General, Department Headquarters, will be accounted for and forwarded by him to the Quartermaster-General.

II. The attention of Post Commanders is called to the provisions of Chapter 189 of the Public Statutes passed by the last Legislature. It is an act authorizing cities and towns to appropriate money to aid soldiers and their families, the same to be disbursed by Posts of the Grand Army. Posts desiring to avail themselves of the provisions of this act should see that in towns articles are inserted in the warrants prior to the meeting for the election of town officers; and in cities, that the matter is brought to the attention of the City Councils in due season to secure favorable consideration. For the information of all Posts and comrades the statute is printed below.

"SECTION 1. Any city or town may appropriate any sum of money for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and to the families of the slain; and may by special vote entrust such sum or any part thereof to any Post of the Grand Army of the Republic located in such city or town, to be disbursed under its direction to any such persons residing in such city or town; *provided*, that the treasurer or other

financial officer of such Post shall make an annual return to such city or town under oath, containing an itemized and specific statement of the disposition of such sums made by such Posts during the preceding year, and shall exhibit his vouchers for such disbursements to any committee of such city or town for examination.

"SECT. 2. The officer designated in Section 1 to hold and disburse said money shall, before receiving the same, give a bond for the faithful discharge of his trust to the city or town, paying over the same in such sums and with such sureties as the mayor and aldermen or the selectmen may require."

III. A year's supply of blank Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports with envelopes have been sent to each Post Commander. If the same have not been received notice should be sent to these headquarters without delay.

IV. Attention is called to the election of Post officers, delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment, one delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing for third quarter ending September 30, with one additional for more than one-half that number, but every Post, whatever its membership, shall be entitled to one delegate. This election must be held at the first regular meeting in December. Herewith enclosed find blank credentials for reporting the same; one copy only is to be forwarded to this office.

V. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Dr. Alpheus E. Hoyt, Surgeon 25th Mass. Inf.; Michael Butler, 1st Sergt. C Batt., U.S. Engineers; any member Co. C, 2d Mass. H.A., who knew Samuel Anderson of said company; any member Co. H, 8th Mass. Inf., who knew Samuel Anderson; Harrison Jenkins, Co. H, 1st Mass. H.A., Surgeon of U.S. S. *Tallapoosa* from September, 1864, to November, 1865; Capt. C. B. Wilder, A.Q.M. U.S. Vol., appointed from Mass., 1863; Sergt. Reynolds, Co. B, 5th Vt.; Lieut. Harrison O. Simonds, 5th Mass. Batty.; Wm. H. Thompson of the U.S. S. *Mahaska* in 1862-63; any member Co. D, 3d Mass. Cav., who knew Patrick Doyle of said company; Lieut. John Doherty, 9th Mass.; any member Co. H, 1st U.S. Cav.

VI. The reports for third quarter from the following Posts did not reach these headquarters until after the 15th of October, namely: Nos. 48, 70, 126, 167, 175.

VII. A Post Commander's badge has been found and left at this office, which the owner can have by proving property.

VIII. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Comrades Dennis Gleason, James O'Conner and Edward McKenna of Major How Post 47 of Haverhill, and David Lyon of Henry Bryant Post 98 of Cohasset, are hereby approved and they are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

IX. General Orders, Nos. 7 and 8, and Circular No. 1 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 12 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 6 }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 13. }

BOSTON, Dec. 11, 1885.

I. General Orders, No. 9, and Circular No. 2 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated.

II. The order announcing Mustering Officers will be issued on or about December 25. Posts desiring the services of a particular comrade for this purpose will first secure his consent to perform the duty, and then at once notify these headquarters of their choice, when he will be detached by the Chief Mustering Officer. Recommendations must be received previous to the above date, and in no case will an assignment be made unless the Post or its representative so designates.

III. In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Nineteenth National Encampment at Portland, installation may be conducted publicly at a special meeting to be held for that purpose, but no part of the opening or closing services or signs of recognition are to be used.

IV. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Any member of the 27th Mass. Regiment who was connected with the wagon train at Winchester, Va., in October and November, 1864; Capt. Edward S. Tuteene, 61st Mass. Regiment; Col. Fillebrown, who served in a Maine regiment and was stationed at the old Kerr Building, corner of Main and Water streets, Winchester, Va.; Capt. Daball, 5th Conn. Regiment, stationed at the jail in Winchester, Va., under General Banks; Capt. William H. Chapman, Co. I, 26th Mass. Inf.; Lieut. John Jones, Co. E, 4th Mass. H.A.; any shipmate on board of U.S.S. *Ironage* when she was lost.

V. The findings and sentence of the court-martial of Comrade Richard H. Rowell of Post 174 of Greenfield are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 14. }

BOSTON, Dec. 28, 1885.

I. The following named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers by Comrade Charles Fay, Chief Mustering Officer of the Department, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

John W. Hersey, Department Commander, Springfield . 16, 86, 103, 179
 Richard F. Tobin, Department Senior Vice-Commander, South Boston,
 11, 15, 23, 58, 92
 Chas. D. Nash, Department Junior Vice-Commander, South Abington, 73
 A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General, Boston 4, 13
 B. Read Wales, Department Inspector, Boston 8, 130
 Chas. Fay, Chief Mustering Officer, Springfield 176
 John G. B. Adams, Past Department Commander, Warnersville . . 78
 Geo. W. Creasey, Past Department Commander, Boston 26, 30
 George H. Patch, Past Department Commander, Boston 7, 62

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| Geo. S. Evans, Past Department Commander, Cambridgeport, 5, 68, 81, 160 | |
| John D. Billings, Past Department Commander, Cambridgeport | 56, 66 |
| Geo. L. Goodale, Past Assistant Quartermaster-General, Medford | 159 |
| Francis A. Osgood, Marblehead | 82 |
| Wm. Spaulding, Wakefield | 12 |
| A. A. Seaverns, North Scituate | 31 |
| Chas. F. Stearns, Winchendon | 153 |
| Frank B. Peabody, Lowell | 138 |
| Wm. C. Litchfield, Berlin | 54 |
| Wm. L. Gage, Braintree | 87 |
| Alex. Smart, Merrimac | 114 |
| H. C. Sherwin, Ayer | 48 |
| Wm. H. Thomas, Hingham | 104 |
| E. D. Goodell, Brookfield | 38 |
| Geo. W. Marsh, Chelsea | 35 |
| George O. Bent, South Framingham | 163 |
| B. J. Starbuck, Boston | 134 |
| Samuel B. Turner, Quincy | 88 |
| J. Albert Roberts, Danvers | 90 |
| H. D. L. Gleason, Natick | 18 |
| Rodney D. Loomis, Millbury | 70 |
| Geo. R. Pierce, Shelburne Falls | 162 |
| Cyrus T. Bachelor, Peabody | 50 |
| Wm. S. Frost, Marlboro | 43 |
| Charles Grey, Jr., Athol | 150, 171 |
| T. N. Drawbridge, Hopkinton | 14 |
| A. A. Burrell, Milford | 22 |
| Wm. McDonald, Housatonic | 177 |
| Edward C. Martin, Attleboro | 145 |
| Wm. H. Eastman, Salem | 34 |
| Henry B. Pierce, Abington | 2 |
| A. E. Chamberlain, Holliston | 6 |
| C. A. Taft, Dedham | 144 |
| Timothy Andrews, Essex | 152 |
| Tristram Talbott, Newburyport | 128 |
| J. Albert Mills, Newburyport | 122 |
| Charles E. Peabody, Haverhill | 47 |
| G. W. Nason, Boston | 60 |
| Samuel M. Weale, East Boston | 42 |
| A. P. Morton, Webster | 168 |
| Edwin Dews, New Bedford | 1 |
| E. K. Bly, New Bedford | 182 |
| James F. Davlin, Somerville | 57 |
| Eugene R. Prior, Rockport | 106 |
| Edwin Earp, Lynn | 118 |
| Charles H. Leonard, Plymouth | 76 |
| Charles Frazer, Clinton | 64 |
| Geo. E. Teele, Watertown | 33 |
| John F. Cunningham, Sandwich | 132 |
| E. Warren Harback, Upton | 105 |
| J. Walter Bradlee, Milton | 102 |
| A. S. Atherton, Wakefield | 149 |
| Edwin Legg, Brookfield | 73 |
| J. H. Goodhue, Warren | 65 |
| N. E. Ladd, Groveland | 101 |
| E. W. Lathrop, Springfield | 166 |
| Horace J. Gray, Cambridgeport | 36 |
| R. W. Rand, Orange | 123, 140 |
| James Maguire, Beverly | 89 |

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| Geo. Perkins, Montvale | 75 |
| Aug. N. Sampson, Boston | 113 |
| Flavel Shurtleff, East Boston | 156 |
| J. A. Richmond, Shelburne Falls | 20 |
| Robt. G. Sargent, Newburyport | 49 |
| C. H. Coburn, Lowell | 120 |
| D. M. Wilcox, Lee | 158 |
| Wm. B. Wallace, Saxonville | 142 |
| C. B. Bartlett, Rutland | 136 |
| Alex. R. Holmes, Canton | 72 |
| C. P. Winslow, Westboro | 80 |
| Wm. L. Robinson, Worcester | 53 |
| Henry W. Weeks, Dedham | 181 |
| E. P. Jewett, Boston | 91 |
| Geo. E. Dean, Taunton | 3 |
| David L. Hodges, Boston | 169 |
| Thos. H. Annable, Attleboro | 133 |
| Wm. E. Jaqueth, Athol | 17 |
| James L. Wilbur, New Bedford | 146 |
| A. E. Pratt, Norwood | 157 |
| Louis L. Stone, Clinton | 175 |
| Geo. D. Stiles, Lynn | 95 |
| E. P. Mills, Hudson | 172 |
| C. H. Clark, Westfield | 41 |
| A. H. Cogswell, Methuen | 100 |
| Jos. R. Loring, Shrewsbury | 96 |

II. The Commanders of the above indicated Posts should at once communicate with their Mustering Officers, giving time and place of installation, and the most direct way of getting there. In case the comrade designated above for any Post cannot be present, and where no comrade has been detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer, any National or Department officer, or Past Post Commander (in his own Post) in good standing (except the retiring Commander) may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until all reports and dues have been forwarded. (See Service Book.)

III. The nineteenth session of the Department Encampment will be held in this city, January 27 and 28. It is proposed to have a banquet at the close of the meeting. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are requested to send to this office, at their earliest opportunity, on the enclosed card, the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the same. Price of tickets, \$1.00. Promptness is desirable in this matter, as only five hundred tickets can be issued, on account of the capacity of the hall.

IV. The following new Post has been organized:—

CYRUS M. WHEATON POST 182, Somerset, Amasa Gray, Jr., Commander.

V. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Any member of Co. B, 19th Mass. Inf., who knew Willard Lothrop of said company; Surgeon in charge of Darby Hospital, Philadelphia, in 1862 and 1863; Capt. F. H. Hathaway, Co. C, 10th U.S. colored regiment; H. Phelan, who was in command of U. S. S. *Daylight* on James River, Virginia, in 1865; the Post Surgeon at Charleston, S. C., April, 1865, or any member of Battery B, 3d Regiment N. Y. L. A.; any member of Co. D, 1st N. Y. Lincoln Cav.; of Wm. H. Harrison, Co. L, 3d Mass. Cav.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

JOHN W. HERSEY,

Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 1 PEMBERTON Sq., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 15. }

BOSTON, Jan. 7, 1886.

I. The Annual Encampment of this Department will meet at Tremont Temple, Boston, Wednesday evening, January 27, at 7 o'clock, and continue the session at Tremont Temple January 28.

II. It is earnestly desired that every Post in the Department shall be represented by its full delegation, and as arrangements are making for transacting more of the business than usual at the evening session, delegates should be on hand punctually and stay through the meeting. Posts should pay the expenses of their delegates, if necessary, to secure this end.

III. The ratio of representatives has already been published in General Orders, No. 12. In the absence of a Post Commander, the Senior Vice-Commander may represent the Post, or if both are absent, the Junior Vice-Commander may act.

IV. Comrade Wm. H. Poole, Commander of Post 11, will detail an Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, an Orderly, and eight comrades, to act as guard during the Encampment. This detail will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Tremont Temple at 6 P. M. on the 27th.

V. After the adjournment of the Encampment, a banquet will be served at Faneuil Hall, to which S. S. Burdett, Commander-in-Chief, Governor Robinson, Mayor O'Brien, Collector Saltonstall and other distinguished guests have been invited. Only five hundred tickets will be issued, at one dollar each, and as delegates are first to be supplied, it is hoped they will order tickets through their Post Commanders without delay, so that if any are left they can be sold to comrades desiring them.

VI. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing to the comrades that the second edition of the *Blue Book*, incorporating amendments to the Rules, decisions and opinions adopted by the National Encampment at its session in Portland, Me., is now ready.

It is a complete manual of ready reference to all decisions, opinions and resolutions of the National Encampment upon the Rules and Regulations now in force which are appended as notes to the article or section to which they refer, thereby avoiding a tedious search of the authorities. Each Post should have a copy, and keep it for reference by comrades.

The sale of this book is not restricted to Posts alone, but can be purchased by comrades from these headquarters at one dollar per copy. Every Post officer should be well informed on the laws governing the Post, and in this book will be found the information necessary to an intelligent performance of his duty.

VII. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Any member of Co. G, 20th V. R. C., in 1864 and 1865, who knew Henry Vierkant of said company; of Lieutenant Harmon, Co. E, 55th Mass. Inf.; of James Gardner, 1st Sergt. Co. E, 55th Mass. Inf.

By command of

JOHN W. HERSEY, }
 Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

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| | HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, } |
| | GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, } |
| | 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. } |
| GENERAL ORDERS, { | BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1886. |
| NO. 16. } | |

Comrades: I feel that I cannot suffer the relations that have existed so pleasantly and, I trust, profitably between us during the past year to be severed without improving this, my last, opportunity of expressing to you my sincere thanks for the many courtesies and fraternal greetings which I have received at your hands during my term of office, and the memory of which shall linger with me through all the future years of my life, proving to me, I trust, a constant inspiration more and more to love and labor for the interests and advancement of this great comradeship, which is so dear to each one of our hearts.

I also desire to congratulate you, my comrades, upon the harmony that has prevailed and the success that has attended us in the work of our Encampment, and I especially desire to congratulate you upon the officers of your choice for the ensuing year.

Comrade Tobin, the Commander-elect, needs no words of introduction or commendation from me to the comrades of this Department. His work is before you. You know with what fidelity and faithfulness he has served the interests of this Department in the past, and I most earnestly bespeak for him and his associates in office the same cordial and hearty co-operation and support that you have always accorded to me and to my predecessors.

Finally, my comrades, having proved our loyalty and fidelity to our country and flag, let us be true and loyal to each other, and to the great principles for which so many thousands of our comrades yielded up their lives, and thereby prove to the world in the true spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty that we are worthy of having served our country in the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

JOHN W. HERSEY,
Department Commander

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

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| CHARLES D. NASH, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | South Abington. |
| WALTER H. LEIGHTON, <i>Medical Director</i> | Lowell. |
| REV. E. A. PERRY, <i>Chaplain</i> | Palmer. |

Council of Administration.

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| CHARLES FAY, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Springfield. |

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| PETER SNYDER, | North Adams. |
| BRAINARD CUMMINGS, | Andover. |
| THOMAS H. HILL, | Woburn. |

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| GEORGE S. MERRILL, | Lawrence. |

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| GEORGE H. PATCH, | So. Framingham. |
| GEORGE S. EVANS, | Cambridgeport. |
| JOHN D. BILLINGS, | Cambridgeport. |

* Deceased.

POSTS.

| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | No. OF MEMB'RS | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
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| Wm. Logan Rodman . | 1 | New Bedford | 222 | Fred A. Washburn..... | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | South Boston | 202 | Arthur Neilson..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | Taunton..... | 161 | 386 Wash. St., Boston } Albert M. Clark..... } 94 Winthrop Street } Edwin C. Gould..... | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | Melrose..... | 58 | Geo. C. Neal..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander..... | 5 | Lynn..... | 855 | Box 23 } | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | Holliston..... | 41 | Daniel F. Travis..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | Boston..... | 307 | Jeremiah Wakefield.... | Friday |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | Middleboro | 70 | 2 Sidney Building } Alvin P. Vaughn..... | Saturday |
| Reno..... | 9 | Hudson..... | 91 | Chas. G. Brigham..... | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | Worcester..... | 574 | Wm. L. Robinson..... | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | Charlestown..... | 165 | 13 Mechanics Street } Thos. H. Haskell..... } 37 Harvard Square } | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | Wakefield..... | 190 | Arlon S. Atherton..... | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | Brockton..... | 156 | Geo. A. Grant..... | Wednesday |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | Hopkinton..... | 37 | Box 1094 } | Tuesday |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | Boston..... | 323 | N. H. Houghton..... | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | Springfield..... | 464 | John A. Keefe..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | Orange..... | 67 | 10 Tremont St., Room 64 } Chas. H. Allison..... | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott..... | 18 | Ashland..... | 37 | Albert L. Barrett..... | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | Fitchburg..... | 218 | John H. Balcom..... | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | Colerain..... | 24 | Ira G. Wilkins..... | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | Boston..... | 59 | E. J. Read..... | Last Tuesday |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher .. | 22 | Milford..... | 114 | Theodore Leutz..... | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | East Boston..... | 109 | 8 Williams Court } Edward McKay..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | Grafton..... | 67 | Lyman W. Clark..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | Uxbridge..... | 35 | Jas. W. McKenzie..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson .. | 26 | Roxbury..... | 139 | L. A. Seagrave..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | Oxford..... | 41 | John E. Killian..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells..... | 28 | West Boylston..... | 36 | 1 Circuit Pl., Roxbury } L. T. Emerson..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | Waltham..... | 102 | J. E. Anderson..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | Cambridgeport .. | 225 | William D. Newland.... | Thursday |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | Scituate..... | 63 | Box 78 } | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington..... | 32 | South Boston..... | 69 | A. A. Seaverns..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Burbank..... | 33 | Woburn..... | 82 | North Scituate } W. J. Blake..... | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | Salem..... | 222 | 19 Dedham Street } Loring J. Hammond.... | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop.... | 35 | Chelsea..... | 400 | Samuel Worcester..... | Thursday |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | Arlington..... | 51 | Ivory R. Allen..... | 1st and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | Spencer..... | 103 | Box 19 } | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Dexter..... | 38 | Brookfield..... | 49 | Horace D. Durgin..... | Wednesday |
| Needham..... | 39 | Lawrence..... | 331 | North Cambridge } Frank M. Knowlton.... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | Malden..... | 109 | E. Legg..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Lyon..... | 41 | Westfield..... | 131 | James J. Stanley..... | Thursday |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | Lowell..... | 332 | J. P. Litch..... | Tuesday |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | Marlboro..... | 129 | E. R. Lay..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | Fayville..... | 37 | Frank B. Peabody..... | Thursday |
| Colonel Allen..... | 45 | Gloucester..... | 149 | Wamesit Mills } J. R. McCrillis..... | Tuesday |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | Fall River..... | 232 | A. P. Greenough..... | Thursday |
| Major How..... | 47 | Haverhill..... | 240 | Wm. H. Cross..... | Thursday |
| George S. Boutwell... | 48 | Ayer..... | 43 | John H. Abbott..... | Thursday |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | Newburyport..... | 251 | Box 369 } | 1st Thursday |
| Union..... | 50 | Peabody..... | 116 | Wm. H. Johnson..... | Friday |
| | | | | Rear 108 Washington St. } Sanford B. Preble..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| | | | | J. Albert Mills..... | |
| | | | | Geo F. Barnes..... | |
| | | | | Box 23 } | |

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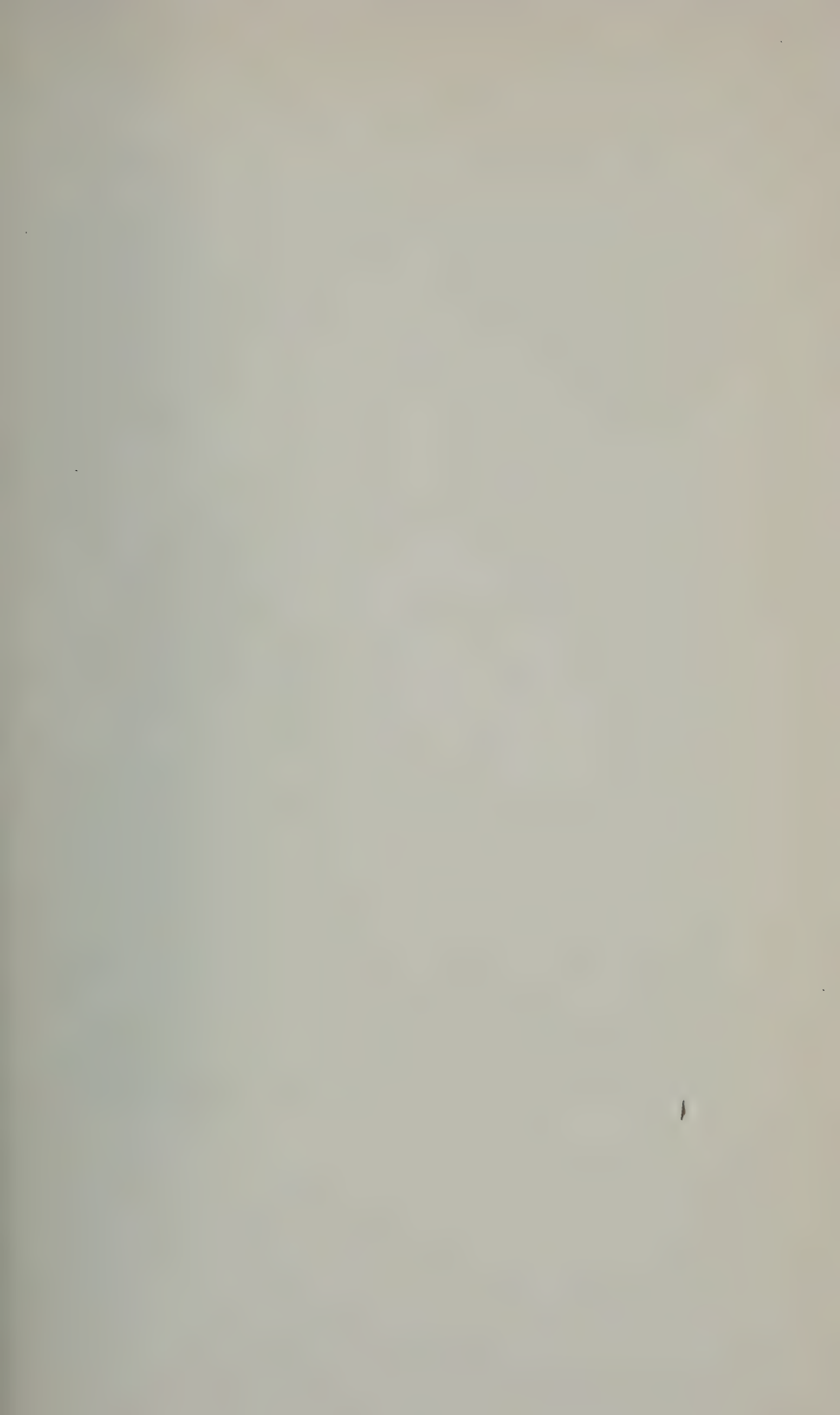
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| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | North Brookfield..... | 64 | John S. Cooke..... | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | South Easton..... | 75 | Ellis R. Holbrook..... | 2d and last Fri. |
| | | | | Box 30, Cochesett } | |
| Charles H. Stevens.... | 53 | Leominster..... | 103 | Clesson Kenney..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | Berlin..... | 23 | John L. Bruce..... | 1st Tues. |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | Provincetown..... | 28 | Geo. H. Nickerson..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | 107 | Dexter Jewett..... | Monday |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge.. | 144 | Chas. O. Welch..... | Wednesday |
| | | | | Third Street } | |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | 190 | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | | East Weymouth } | |
| Major J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | Sterling..... | 28 | Ezra Sawyer..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin..... | 60 | Franklin..... | 73 | Wm. E. Nason..... | 4th Mon. |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | 104 | A. R. Snow..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | 102 | W. A. Wetherbee..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | 139 | Daniel E. George..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | 82 | Wm. Lourie..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | 43 | Robert P. Bestick..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | 101 | Samuel G. Jepson..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | | Box 216 } | |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | 43 | Robert C. Calder..... | Friday |
| | | | | Box 116 } | |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester..... | 232 | Chas. D. Stiles..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | 23 | Jos. A. Wetherbee..... | Alternate Sat. |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | 52 | Joseph Packard..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | 112 | Wm. H. Abbott..... | Tuesday |
| | | | | Howard Street } | |
| A. St. John Chambré.. | 72 | Stoughton..... | 65 | Geo. W. Pratt..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | 94 | A. H. Wright..... | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | 108 | Flisha T. Harvell..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | 93 | S. L. Colley..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | 118 | B. A. Hathaway..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | 23 | Geo. S. Graham..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.. | 135 | Wm. H. Gurney..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams..... | 89 | Orson Dalrymple..... | Friday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | 95 | Chas. E. Smith..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | 49 | Chas. W. Smith..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | Marblehead..... | 171 | Jos. Bartlett..... | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | 30 | R. C. Waterman..... | Last Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.. | 31 | Dexter F. Hagar..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | 36 | Geo. S. Marsh..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | Northampton..... | 142 | W. C. Pomeroy..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.. | 71 | Henry A. Monk..... | Friday |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | 84 | Isaac M. Holt..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | Beverly..... | 183 | John Hanners..... | Thursday |
| | | | | Box 848 } | |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | 146 | Samuel S. Pratt..... | Monday |
| | | | | Asylum Station } | |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxboro..... | 27 | H. C. Lindley..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | Brighton..... | 51 | Alva J. Wilson..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls.. | 55 | G. R. Pierce..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | 70 | Jonathan Linfield.. | 2d and last Thur. |
| | | | | Box 110 } | |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | Saugus..... | 45 | P. H. Nourse..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | 28 | Josiah Proctor..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | 44 | A. W. Morse..... | 1st Monday |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | Cohasset..... | 27 | Chas. A. Gross..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett.. | 99 | Andover..... | 56 | Geo. W. Chandler..... | 1st Friday |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | Methuen..... | 70 | John S. Tapley..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | 28 | Hosea B. Nash..... | Thursday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | 56 | Geo. A. Fletcher..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | 64 | A. O. Kinney..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | 65 | Chas. H. Wakefield.. | 1st Thursday |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | Upton..... | 39 | A. S. Johnson..... | Tuesday |
| | | | | Box 271 } | |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | 58 | Thos. F. Parsons, Jr.. | Monday |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | Palmer..... | 47 | Charles Upham..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | 81 | David N. Bridges..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton.. | 35 | Chas. B. Garfield..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Capt. Horace Niles.... | 110 | Randolph..... | 54 | N. H. Tirrell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |

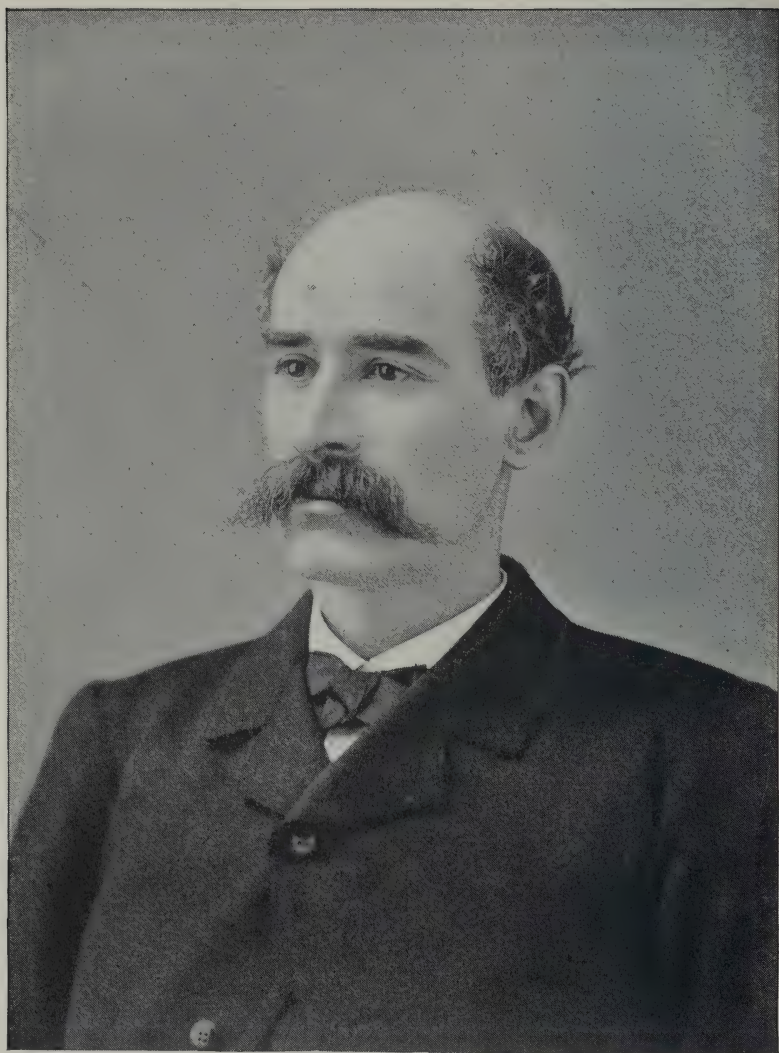
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| J. E. Simmons | 111 | Pembroke..... | 36 | Henry H. Collamore... North Pembroke } | { Sat. after full moon. |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate... | 43 | G. A. Ayling..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | 98 | Augustine Sanderson... Ridge Hill } | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac..... | 62 | Geo. A. Grant..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | 37 | M. P. Palmer..... | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | 73 | Z. Sawtelle..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | 29 | John H. Gould..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | 34 | Peleg Gardner..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | 86 | Chas. T. West..... | 3d Thursday |
| James A. Garfield.... | 120 | Lowell..... | 216 | Woodbridge W. Tuttle... 102 Hale Street } | Wednesday |
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | 147 | Geo. G. Bailey, Jr..... | 1st Monday |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | 60 | Chas. L. Tucker..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | 101 | Samuel N. Gould..... Box 595 } | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | East Bridgewater | 48 | E. E. Edson..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | 191 | Oliver L. Wood..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams..... | 70 | E. N. Jones..... | Saturday |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | 31 | Edward Pendleton..... | 2d Saturday |
| Gen. James Appleton.. | 128 | Ipswich..... | 106 | Luther Wait..... | Wednesday |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | Millville..... | 26 | Lawrence Gibney..... Blackstone } | 1st Friday |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | 41 | Henry A. Walker..... | Thursday |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | Leicester..... | 51 | F. M. Lamb..... | 2d Tuesday |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | 44 | S. Wells Hunt..... | 1st Saturday |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | Plainville..... | 39 | Wm. H. Wade..... | Monday |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston..... | 48 | Benj. Phenix..... 13 Blossom Court } | Thursday |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | 23 | Jos. R. Loring..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | 47 | Jas. G. Shannon..... | 1st Monday |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | East Douglass... | 25 | Henry Hutchins..... | Thursday |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | West Acton..... | 64 | Chas. B. Sanders..... Acton } | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | 62 | Jas. F. Davlin..... | Monday |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | Athol..... | 86 | W. H. Heustis..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Frank D. Hammond... | 141 | Harwich..... | 43 | Geo. N. Munsell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxtonville..... | 28 | John W. Kirby..... | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | 41 | Wm. E. Long..... | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | 83 | Chas. C. Nichols..... Walnut Hill } | 3d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | 104 | Geo. L. Jillion..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford..... | 20 | Geo. T. Fisher..... 233 Middle Street } | 3d Thursday |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | Amherst..... | 103 | T. W. Sloan..... | { Tues. on or bef. full moon |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | 27 | M. E. Lyon..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Major G. L. Stearns... | 149 | Charlestown..... | 43 | D. W. Thompson..... 372 Bunker Hill Street } | Friday |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | Montague..... | 44 | Jason Mann..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury... | 13 | Elbridge G. Wood..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | Essex..... | 37 | Chas. E. French..... | Wednesday |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | Winchendon..... | 60 | Levi Bostworth..... | 2d and 3d Fri. |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | Kingston..... | 41 | Frank C. Hill..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | Monson..... | 62 | Wm. Ricketts..... | { Mon. on or bef. full moon |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | Everett..... | 51 | Darius Hadley..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | Walpole..... | 36 | Joseph C. Madigan... East Walpole } | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser... | 158 | Housatonic..... | 39 | Wm. McDonald..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | East Boston..... | 105 | Flavel Shurtleff..... | Friday |
| Alanson Hamilton.... | 160 | West Brookfield.. | 32 | Edwin Wilber..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Woburn..... | 161 | Woburn..... | 56 | Chas. H. Harding..... Box 1243 } | Wednesday |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | Turners Falls..... | 48 | Edw. E. Barnard..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | So. Framingham... | 46 | Chas. H. Fuller..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | Conway..... | 21 | Chas. C. Burdett..... | 3d Wednesday |

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| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | Duxbury | 36 | Benj. A. Sawyer..... | Friday |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | Easthampton.... | 53 | Clarence E. Ware..... Box 31 } | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | Whitinsville..... | 21 | Henry S. Taft..... | 2d Friday |
| Malcolm Ammidown.. | 168 | Southbridge..... | 42 | Geo. W. Corey..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Geo. K. Bird..... | 169 | Norwood | 31 | Austin E. Pratt..... | 2d Friday |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | Mansfield..... | 27 | Francis Drake..... | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| Albert S. Johnson.... | 171 | Northfield..... | 23 | Rollins C. Ward..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| E. K. Warren..... | 172 | Bolton..... | 17 | Wm. W. Robinson..... | Thursday |
| J. Arthur Johnson.... | 173 | Sturbridge..... | 35 | John H. Harrison..... Fiskdale } | Wednesday |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | Greenfield..... | 68 | Fred L. Burnham..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Washburn..... | 175 | Lancaster..... | 20 | H. M. Nash..... | 1st and 2d Sat. |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee... | 176 | Huntington | 43 | Edwin D. Hutchinson... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | Lee..... | 26 | D. M. Wilcox..... | 2d and 4th Thur. |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | Otis..... | 20 | Warren O. Hawley..... | { Sat. on or / bef. full moon |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | Barre..... | 27 | B. F. Brooks..... | 1st Saturday |
| Old Concord..... | 180 | Concord..... | 27 | Geo. P. How..... | 2d Thursday |





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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1886-87.

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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
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HELD AT
BOSTON, 1887.

JANUARY 27 — EVENING SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R., convened at the Meionian, Tremont Temple, Boston, Jan. 27, 1887, in compliance with General Orders, No. 12, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 7.30 P.M. by Department Commander Richard F. Tobin.

The Officer of the Day reported that all present were members of the Order.

Past Department Commanders were invited to seats upon the platform.

Prayer was offered by Comrade E. A. Horton, Department Chaplain, after which the Commander declared the Encampment opened in due form.

On motion of Past Department Commander Adams of Post 5 the reading of the records was dispensed with.

The Commander then appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz., the Assistant Adjutant-General, Comrades H. A. Sawyer and Samuel Worcester, Council of Administration, A. J. Lowd and L. L. Stone of the Staff.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows : —

Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment . 618

Number present 413

Divided as follows : —

Department Officers 13

Past Department Commanders 6

Post Commanders 106

Delegates 288

Total 413

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1887.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Chaplain</i> | E. A. HORTON |

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| <i>Inspector</i> | B. READ WALES. |
| <i>Judge Advocate</i> | JOHN A. KEEFE. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | P. ALLEN LINDSEY. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| J. G. B. ADAMS. | GEO. S. EVANS. |

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[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

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- POST 4. Commander John E. Marshall, Wm. Boyd, Edwin C. Gould, G N. Harris.
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- Post 9. Commander H. P. Bean, Warren Waterhouse, Herman Tower.
- Post 10. Commander Charles H. Benchley, C. N. Walker, Jas. K. Churchill, J. B. Lamb, A. S. Graton, J. N. Jones, M. A. Potter, S. F. Babbitt, Geo. A. Blunt, W. A. Boyden, C. W. Putnam, Henry A. Green, W. L. Robinson, James P. Crosby.
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- Post 13. Commander Seth L. French, Nathaniel D. Toppan, Geo. A. Grant, John B. Parker.
- Post 14. Henry D. Smith.
- Post 15. Commander William B. Daly, David R. Pierce, Richard Houghton, Harrison Hume, Edward F. Rollins, Thomas Langlan, Patrick Lee, Charles H. Shaw, Dennis Linnehan, Frank P. Stevens, M. C. Grant, James E. Reid.
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- Post 25. Ezra J. Hill.
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- Post 30. Commander Henry C. Hobbs, F. E. Martele, J. W. Wilkinson, A. B. Jarvis, B. F. Hastings, Wm. Parks, M. J. Folsom.
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- Post 66. Commander Robert M. Spinney, S. G. Jepson, J. E. Pierce.
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- Post 70. Commander S. C. Spooner, Samuel E. Hull.
- Post 71. Commander Peter J. Gilligan, John Howard Smith, Albert Loring, Jas. Gage.
- Post 72. Commander Thomas Blanchard, Geo. O. Wentworth.
- Post 73. Commander Albert W. Hines, Henry B. Peirce, Augustus H. Wright.

- POST 74. Commander E. T. Havel, C. H. Chubbuck, C. H. French.
 POST 75. Commander S. A. Lawrence, John Best, C. B. Carlin.
 POST 76. Commander A. Oliver Brown, James D. Thurber, Charles C. Doten, James B. Brewster.
 POST 77. Junior Vice-Commander Samuel W. Armington.
 POST 78. Commander Rufus Cass, Andrew C. Brigham, William H. Gurney.
 POST 79. Commander Lewis F. Amadon, John W. Illingworth, S. J. Hendley.
 POST 80. Commander David Chase, Frank S. Stone, Wm. M. Blake, John W. Fairbanks.
 POST 81. Commander S. F. Stearns, Geo. E. Teele.
 POST 82. Commander Joseph R. Graves, Francis Boardman, Benj. H. Blaney, S. S. Preble, Joseph W. Colver.
 POST 83. Commander R. C. Waterman, O. F. Whitney
 POST 84. Not represented.
 POST 85. Commander Frank P. Clark, D. Otis Holden.
 POST 86. Commander Malcolm Bridgman, W. C. Pomeroy, Wm. R. Bartwell, Chas. H. Heald, E. H. Wade.
 POST 87. Commander Henry A. Monk, Thomas B. Stoddard.
 POST 88. Commander Isaac M. Holt, Francis P. Loud, George A. Ordway.
 POST 89. Commander George A. Woodbury, 2d, Fred A. Wallis, John Hanners, Orange R. Taylor.
 POST 90. Commander Harvey H. Pillsbury, Malcolm Sillars, Timothy D. Crowley, Joseph W. Haynes.
 POST 91. Commander Henry C. Williams, H. C. Lindley
 POST 92. Commander Henry P. Kennedy, Homer Rogers.
 POST 93. Commander James F. Hunter, W. W. Carpenter.
 POST 94. Commander John T. Pitman, Richmond L. Weston.
 POST 95. Commander James F. Pratt, Chas. H. Mansfield.
 POST 96. Commander F. M. Harrington, G. Frank Dodge.
 POST 97. Commander A. W. Morse, Myron P. Walker, Charles Davis.
 POST 98. Commander E. E. Wentworth, Daniel B. Lincoln.
 POST 99. Commander George W. Chandler, Peter D. Smith.
 POST 100. Commander John Cairns, John S. Tapley, Joseph Martin.
 POST 101. Commander Isaac C. Day, N. E. Ladd.
 POST 102. Commander Jedediah Stangman, George A. Fletcher.
 POST 103. Commander Charles H. Tracy.
 POST 104. Commander John H. Stodder, Thomas Weston.
 POST 105. Senior Vice-Commander H. E. Taylor, Albert Davis.
 POST 106. Calvin W. Pool.
 POST 107. Commander Charles Upham, John H. Smith.
 POST 108. Commander John Munroe, Hiram N. Harriman, Charles F. Winch.
 POST 109. George A. Brooks.
 POST 110. Commander H. C. Alden, H. A. Drake
 POST 111. Commander Silvanus Shedd, Albion Hatch.
 POST 112. Commander John H. Prouty.
 POST 113. Commander Austin C. Wellington, Albert W. Hersey, Wm. K. Millar
 POST 114. Commander M. P. Brew, Wm. H. Blogett.
 POST 115. Commander George H. Balcom, Charles Blood.
 POST 116. Commander John D. Edgell, G. W. Clifford
 POST 117. Commander N. Frank Harding.
 POST 118. Commander John I. Adams, Peleg Gardner.
 POST 119. Commander George D. Harrington, A. A. Sherman
 POST 120. Commander Herbert M. Jacobs, Wm. A. Fifield, W. W. Tuttle, Geo. W. Huntoon, L. A. French, Erastus Newton.

- Post 121. Commander Stephen H. Reynolds, O. W. Manuel, E. S. Churchill, Geo G Bailey, Jr.
- Post 122. Commander Charles Goss, L. Frank Currier.
- Post 123. Commander Charles E. Taft, George E. Ball, Charles O. West.
- Post 124. Commander Peregrine W. Poole, George R. Dyer.
- Post 125. Commander Robert B. Dickie, Louis B. Simons, Henry S. Briggs, Charles W. Whelden, Chester B. Scudder, Lyman E. Field.
- Post 126. John McKibbon.
- Post 127. Commander Josiah G. Cook, Nathaniel T. Howland.⁹
- Post 128. Commander Henry P. Boynton, Thomas F. Ellsworth, Nathaniel Shatswell.
- Post 129. Commander Americus Welch.
- Post 130. Wm. A. Spencer.
- Post 131. Commander Henry Bisco, Dana F. Dutton.
- Post 132. Commander William C. Gifford, John H Stevens.
- Post 133. Edward P Davis.
- Post 134. Commander Isaac S. Mullen, Samuel A. Valentine.
- Post 135. Commander Joseph R. Loring, Felix Secord.
- Post 136. Commander Charles R. Bartlett, David F. Smith.
- Post 137. Commander Henry Hutchins, N. H. Jones.
- Post 138. Commander Samuel A. Guilford, D. H. Hall.
- Post 139. Commander Walter Winward, J. F. Davlin, N. F. Caswell.
- Post 140. A. J. Nye.
- Post 141. Commander Charles H. Packard, Henry N. Conden.
- Post 142. Commander Henry F. Winch, George Reede
- Post 143. Commander Edward B. Richardson, Chas. E. Hapgood.
- Post 144. Commander Henry W. Weeks, Augustus F. Cummings, George H Haggett, William J. Hargraves.
- Post 145. Commander E. D. Guild, E. S. Horton, R J. Bell.
- Post 146. Commander Geo. T. Fisher, Charles H. Harrison.
- Post 147. Commander H. M. McCloud, A. W. Hall, E. G. Thayer.
- Post 148. John T. Wilson.
- Post 149. Commander J. W. Leavett, Charles S. Stone.
- Post 150. Commander G. N. Watson, Jason Mann.
- Post 151. Not represented.
- Post 152. Commander James B. Kimble, Frederic C. Shaller.
- Post 153. Commander Andrew Riley, Edward Gedding.
- Post 154. Commander George E. Owens, James H. Thompson.
- Post 155. Not represented.
- Post 156. Commander Chas. H. Spencer.
- Post 157. Commander Samuel L. Gilman.
- Post 158. Not represented.
- Post 159. Commander Wm. F. Hayes, Flavel Shurtleff, Joseph Rossiter, Lewis J. N. Hurie.
- Post 160. Commander J. G. Warren, W. H. Ball.
- Post 161. Commander J. Fred. Leslie, E. F. Wyer.
- Post 162. Commander Ralph L Atherton, Geo. P. Holden.
- Post 163. Commander Edward F. Phinney, J. A. Merriam.
- Post 164. Not represented.
- Post 165. Commander John W. Tower, Lawrence Bradford.
- Post 166. Commander O. T. White, Justin Lyman.
- Post 167. Commander Phineas Buckley.
- Post 168. Commander George W. Corey, E. L. Chapin.
- Post 169. Commander William Taylor, Albert G. Webb.
- Post 170. Commander George P. Chapin, Francis Drake.
- Post 171. Not represented.
- Post 172. Commander A. Eames.
- Post 173. Not represented.

- Post 174. Commander George Pierce, C. R. Lowell.
Post 175. Commander John E. Farnsworth, H M Nash.
Post 176. Commander Edward Pease, Charles B. Mayden.
Post 177. Commander Henry N. Horton, Thomas G Moat.
Post 178. Senior Vice-Commander Ephraim Palmer, O. W. Rice.
Post 179. Commander B. F Brooks.
Post 180. Commander Caleb H Wheeler, Edward F. Phelps.
Post 181. Commander George Adams, Boman Moss.
Post 182. Commander Amasa Gray, Thomas A. Francis.
Post 183. Commander Chas. Church, David M. Donaldson.
Post 184. Commander J. W. Bride, M. M. Stone
Post 185. Commander Charles H. Richardson, George E. Pinkham,
Jared P. Maxfield, Edward W. Thompson, Frank B. Pea-
body, Josiah Hamilton.
Post 186. Commander John D. Billings

The next business was the reports of the Department Officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander, Richard F. Tobin, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER RICHARD F. TOBIN.

Comrades: I extend to you a cordial and fraternal greeting, and bid you a hearty welcome to this, the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. Another march in our yearly campaign is ended, and once more we halt for roll-call and review. It becomes my duty to render an account to you of my stewardship, and to return to you the trust, which by a unanimous vote of the last Encampment was confided to my charge.

MEMBERSHIP.

At the beginning of my administration, the official report of my immediate predecessor, Commander John W. Hersey, showed that on the 31st of December, this Department numbered 182 Posts, having a membership of 17,965 comrades in good standing, which, with the suspended membership of 826 comrades, for the final quarter added, made the full strength of the Department 18,791 comrades.

On the 31st of December, 1886, there were 185 Posts, and 19,496 members in good standing, to which add 640 reported as suspended on the above date, making a total membership of 20,137 comrades, which figures show a net gain for the year, in good standing, of 1,532 comrades. Since the above was in type an additional Post has been added, John A. Logan Post No. 186, located in Cambridge, with 55 charter members.

The field in which new Posts might be organized having been so thoroughly canvassed by Past Department Commanders Billings and Hersey, it could hardly have been expected that there would have been left to my administration a possible hope for the organization of new Posts. In this, however, I was agreeably disappointed, as two Posts have been organized in the past year, Sergeant Plunkett Post 184, located at Ashburnham, and Ladd and Whitney Post 185, located at Lowell. Post 184 is named after that honored comrade who was so seriously wounded by the loss of both arms, while bearing aloft the banner of our Republic at Fredericksburg, and the latter, Post 185, taking the names of two of the three comrades whose blood first stained the soil of Maryland, April 19, 1861. This Post, I am pleased to say, organized with the largest number of charter members of any Post in the Department, it having 218 names upon its charter. Many of the comrades of this Post were transferred from Post 42, but the larger part of them were new members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The session of that body at San Francisco last August brought together a very large assemblage of veterans, from all parts of the Union, thus crossing the continent in the performance of duties assigned the delegates by their several Departments. This Department, I am happy to say, was represented by the Department Commander, the Assistant Adjutant-General, and by every delegate elected at the last Encampment, except two, who were unavoidably absent on account of sickness, their places being filled by their alternates. There were present at the Encampment, I am further pleased to state, Past Commander-in-Chief Merrill, and Past Department Commanders Sargent, Adams, Creasey, Evans, Patch, Billings and Hersey, and the member of the National Council of Administration representing this Department, Comrade Henry B. Pierce. There were also present Assistant Quartermaster-General John H. O'Donnell, and about two hundred other members of this Department. The parade of the veterans on August 3 was a magnificent and imposing display. Massachusetts was assigned to the Fourth Division, and the soldierly bearing of the comrades reflected credit on this Department. The cheers received throughout the route caused all of us to feel a commendable degree of pride that we hailed from the old Bay State. The line of march tested fully the enduring qualities of the boys that formed that long line of blue from '61 to '65; but the hearty welcome which greeted them everywhere caused them to forget the distance and length of march until the parade was ended and the line dismissed. The hospitality of the Californians and the comrades of the Pacific Slope was generously and graciously bestowed upon the comrades and friends from all quarters of the Republic.

I will not trespass upon your time by referring at length to the work of the National Encampment. But I am obliged to refer to two matters, which your representatives were directed to bring before the National Encampment, and endeavor to secure: first, the passage of the Service Pension Bill; second, an amendment of the Rules and Regulations, which would unseat Past Department Commanders in the National Encampments. In connection with the Service Pension Bill, comrades, I desire to say that the representatives to the National Encampment had but one alternative, — either obey the orders of the Encampment by which they were elected, or remain at home and let comrades go whose loyalty to the Order and obedience to its Encampment would be unquestionable.

On both of these questions it will be remembered that the representatives received specific instructions, and any violation thereof was a breach of discipline, for which in many instances

of less importance comrades have received court-martial. The Encampment devoted but one hour to the proposed pension measure, the most important question, in my opinion, before the Encampment, — important to the rank and file, the bone and sinew, of the Grand Army of the Republic — and that, too, at a time when the members of the Encampment were anxious to go sight-seeing, rather than endeavoring to secure a passage of the bill, which, if successful, would give material aid to hundreds and thousands of deserving comrades, when it is stated that nine thousand brave and heroic defenders of the Union are now lingering out their existence in the poorhouses of this country!

I am heartily in favor of the passage of this bill by the Congress of the United States, not as an act of charity, but as a sacred obligation, to stand by these defenders of the Union, who risked their lives that the nation might live. I would respectfully recommend that this Encampment instruct its representatives to the next National Encampment to work and vote for the so-called Service Pension Bill.

On the question of amending the Rules and Regulations to unseat Past Department Commanders in National Encampments, I desire to say that this question met with a very decided opposition by Past Department Commanders, as well as a general sentiment of opposition by various Departments represented in the Encampment.

Notwithstanding an earnest effort by your representatives to secure the adoption of the proposed amendment, it was finally defeated. I would respectfully recommend that your representatives to the next Encampment be instructed to secure, if possible, the amendment to the Rules and Regulations, which will unseat Past Department Commanders from life membership in National Encampments, unless they are regularly elected representatives.

I respectfully renew the recommendation of my predecessors, that the sum of \$300 be appropriated by this Encampment to pay the travelling expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty; and also of the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders, when acting in his stead; and I also recommend that, when either of these officers are absent from home on official duty, as above specified, it becomes necessary for them to seek hotel accommodations, the Department shall pay such bills; but in no case shall the total expenditures of the year for such purposes exceed the sum of \$300, and that all bills so contracted shall be subject to the approval of the Council of Administration.

I further respectfully recommend that the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department; and also that

the sum of \$200 be appropriated for extra clerk hire to assist the Assistant Adjutant-General in the clerical work of his office.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

It has been my pleasure during the past year to meet the officers of the Woman's Relief Corps, both State and National. This patriotic auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic is entitled to our esteem, respect, confidence and protection, and wherever practicable, I would respectfully recommend that Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, be instituted, as great good must result from such united action, and mutual confidence in each other must naturally establish a patriotic zeal, and each will stimulate the other in its fraternal charity for the needy wards of our grand organization. Our gratitude should go forth to encourage the noble women in their efforts to smooth the paths of those who have few other earthly helpers. I commend to the protection of this Department of the Grand Army of the Republic this noble band of loyal women, who, as mothers, sisters, daughters and wives of our comrades, are so faithfully and earnestly fulfilling their mission of fraternal charity.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Memorial Day was strictly and reverently observed throughout this entire Department, and nowhere in our Commonwealth was the grave of a departed comrade neglected by the want of the usual floral offering, where such a grave was known to any Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. The long and honorable record of this Department in the past justifies the belief that at no time in the future shall there be a grave unmarked at least by the miniature flag, until the last surviving comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic shall stand upon the crumbling verge of time.

This Department was requested by U. S. Grant Post 327 of Brooklyn, N.Y., to forward a floral offering, to be placed at the tomb of our departed Commander and comrade, U. S. Grant, and that this Department be represented by Department officers in the services of Memorial Day. The Commander of this Department, believing that Massachusetts should be second to none other in the floral tribute, started a subscription paper with the following heading: —

“We, the undersigned, representing the Department and Government of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, desirous that the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Massachusetts, may be represented at the tomb of their great Commander, Gen. U. S. Grant, and that they may fittingly offer their tribute of affection to his memory on Memorial Day, May 30, 1886, sub-

scribe the sum of one dollar each, to be devoted to that patriotic object, in such manner as may be deemed appropriate."

This subscription paper your Commander circulated in the State House only, and when a sufficient amount was received, a floral design, representing the coat-of-arms of Massachusetts, 5x6 feet, was purchased of Dee Brothers, the well-known florists of Boston, both of whom are comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. The State being also requested to send flowers, his Excellency the Governor asked me if I did not think one piece would answer to represent both the State and the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. I replied that it would. He therefore detailed Adjutant-General Dalton and Col. M. P. Walker, of his Staff, to represent the State, while your Commander and Assistant Quartermaster-General John H. O'Donnell represented the Department. The occasion was one long to be remembered by those who witnessed the first memorial service at the tomb of Gen. U. S. Grant.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

I shall occupy but a few moments of your time in referring to this Home, which is second to none other in the country. The report of the trustees will furnish you with all the information necessary in relation to the Home, its inmates and general management. Day by day we read of bequests to various charitable and educational institutions, — even the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has not been forgotten, — but I have yet to learn of a single bequest to the Soldiers' Home, since it was established by this Department. The Board of Trustees are deserving of and should receive the warmest gratitude of this Department for their untiring energy and zeal in providing for the welfare and comfort of those of our comrades whose misfortune it is to be obliged to seek shelter in a Soldiers' Home.

VETERANS' RIGHTS UNION AND EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

It will be remembered that the last Encampment indorsed the recommendation of the National Encampment at Portland, and appointed a committee of seven to act with your Council of Administration, and proceed to organize the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, under the auspices of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. In accordance with instructions of the last Encampment, a constitution and by-laws were framed, and a convention of two delegates from each Post in the Department was convened September 8, at John A. Andrew Hall, and the organization completed by the election of officers. I am pleased to say to the Encampment that it is now under full headway, and doing a good work, which nec-

essarily means the expenditure of money. The Board of Control issued a circular to the various Posts, asking for voluntary contribution, favorable responses to which being somewhat slow in forthcoming, the Council of Administration appropriated five hundred dollars to defray the legitimate running expenses until the meeting of this Encampment, when it was hoped that the means for its future would be provided for.

The objects and purposes of this association, which look to the enforcement of Section 1754 and 1755 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, are well known to the comrades of the Encampment. The following are the sections referred to: —

SECTION 1754. Persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty, shall be preferred for appointments to civil offices, provided they are found to possess the business capacity necessary for the proper discharge of the duties of such offices.

SECTION 1755. In grateful recognition of the services, sacrifices and sufferings of persons honorably discharged from the military and naval service of the country by reason of wounds, disease, or the expiration of terms of enlistment, it is respectfully recommended to bankers, merchants, manufacturers, mechanics, farmers, and persons engaged in industrial pursuits, to give them preference for appointments to remunerative situations and employments.

SECTION 3 of Chapter CCLXXXVII., Laws of 1876, is in part as follows:

Provided, That in making any reduction of force in any of the executive departments, the head of such department shall retain those persons who may be equally qualified, who have been honorably discharged from the military or naval service of the United States, and the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers and sailors.

Thus it will be seen, comrades, that the time has arrived when it becomes the duty of the Grand Army of the Republic to demand the enforcement of the laws in favor of those men who formed a nation's bulwark around a nation's heart, and tendered their lives as a free-will offering for the preservation of the nation's life, and the unity of our Republic. May my arm be palsied by my side when it shall cease to hold aloft the banner, inscribed all over with their glorious deeds! May my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth when it ceases to pronounce the praises of that matchless courage, unrivalled fortitude and unselfish patriotism of the boys in blue!

For the support of the Veterans' Rights Union, I would respectfully recommend that the *per capita* tax be restored to thirty-two instead of twenty-four cents, and that the amount restored be set aside and paid by the Assistant Quartermaster-General of the Department to the Board of Control of the Veterans' Rights Union, to defray the legitimate running expenses.

LEGISLATION.

I desire to call the attention of the Encampment to the Soldiers' Exemption Bill, which has been before the Legislature for the past two years. Last year it passed both houses by very large majorities, and was finally vetoed by his Excellency the Governor. It is a bill to exempt all honorably discharged veterans of the war from the civil-service competitive examination. I would therefore respectfully recommend that this Encampment petition the General Court for the passage of the same, and Posts of the Department be requested to urge the senators and representatives of their respective districts to aid in securing the passage of the bill, which will thus allow employment to be given to comrades who are competent to discharge the duties of the position for which they may apply, while perhaps they may not know the height of the Alps, or the width of the Amazon at its mouth.

REPORTS.

The reports of the Department and official Staff officers will show in detail the operations and conditions of their several Departments, and I commend these reports to your careful consideration. They have each performed the duties pertaining to their offices in a thorough and satisfactory manner, and I desire to embrace this opportunity to return to them my acknowledgments and sincere thanks for their hearty co-operation and ever-willing disposition to render their services in the interest of the Department during my administration. The Department Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders have always responded promptly and cheerfully to the performance of all duties required, and have proved themselves worthy of the trust reposed in them.

But I desire to embrace this opportunity to return my most sincere thanks and to publicly acknowledge the obligations under which I rest to Comrade A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General of the Department, for the faithful and energetic manner in which he has attended to duty, and I trust that he may live to enjoy the confidence of many successive Department Commanders and the respect of his comrades in this and other Departments, as a thoroughly efficient and honest man.

CHARLESTON RELIEF FUND.

Early in September a circular was issued, calling upon the various Posts of this Department for voluntary contributions for the relief of the afflicted and terror-stricken people of Charleston, in response to which I received and forwarded to the mayor of that city, in the name of the Department of Massachusetts, \$1,688.39, which has been duly acknowledged and for which I

desire to return my sincere thanks to the comrades who so generously responded to the call.

GRAND ARMY RECORD.

Again I desire to call the attention of the comrades of this Department to the fact that the *Grand Army Record*, a paper published in Boston by a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, and having the indorsement of headquarters, should be more generously subscribed for by the boys. Its cost is but one dollar per year, and it is a genuine Grand Army of the Republic paper.

Its columns are opened to all comrades for honorable communications and for general Grand Army news interesting to all who may avail themselves of the opportunity to read. Don't let it be said that this Department would allow a paper, in which we ought to be interested, to discontinue its publication because of the lack of interest among our members. Send in your subscriptions, boys.

THE DEAD.

Comrades, as the end of my official term was drawing near, I had begun to congratulate myself and the Grand Army of the Republic that during the year we had not been called upon to record the loss of any of our distinguished military leaders, such as had characterized the previous year, when there flashed across the wire that intelligence which brought grief to the heart of every comrade in the Grand Army of the Republic, and told them that the brightest star in that galaxy of volunteer officers of the war, a gallant soldier, an able statesman and an honest man,— Senator John A. Logan, — was dead. Peace to his ashes! may his memory be green and our thoughts of him and those whom he left, be thoughts of love, gratitude and pride.

“ A widow's blessing
And comrade's trust
Lie in the grave
With Logan's dust.”

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, comrades, I would express my appreciation, as far as words will convey, for the distinguished honor conferred upon me by the last Encampment, in calling me to the exalted station of Commander. It is an honor which many comrades far more worthy than I have ever been might well feel proud to attain; and now, as I surrender to you the trust so recently confided to me, I am deeply moved by the recollection of words and deeds of kindness which have been so generously bestowed upon me during

the past four years with which I have been officially connected with headquarters. It affords me a peculiar pleasure to record my appreciation of the faithful and efficient service rendered by the elective members of the Council of Administration and members of the official Staff. In the charge of their several Departments, they have been diligent and faithful. The dissolution of these official relations cannot sever the ties which bind me to these comrades.

The recollections of my term as Department Commander, the new friendships formed, the old friendships strengthened, will enter into my future as bright and welcome guests. For him whom you may honor as my successor I can express no hope or wish more pregnant with good-will and esteem than to desire for him the same courtesy, respect and expressions of kindness which have everywhere and at all times been extended to me by the comrades of this Department. To the members on my personal Staff, I desire to return my sincere thanks for their uniform courtesy and kindness to me during the year, and for the faithful manner in which they have each performed the duties of Assistant Inspectors. May God bless and prosper the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, and the individual membership of our beloved Order, wherever it has a name and place!

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1887.

RICHARD F. TOBIN, *Department Commander.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report of the business transacted in this office the past year.

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| Number of Posts, Dec. 31, 1885 | 182 |
| “ comrades same date | 17,965 |
| “ Posts, Dec. 31, 1886 | 185 |
| “ comrades reported same date | 19,497 |
| Net gain during the year | 1,532 |

The net gain by quarters is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz. : —

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| First quarter, ending March 31 | 227 |
| Second quarter, ending June 30 | 815 |
| Third quarter, ending Sept. 30 | 300 |
| Fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31 | 190 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Number of comrades in good standing, Dec. 31, 1885 | 17,965 |
| “ “ gained by muster . . . | 1,900 |
| “ “ “ transfer . . . | 389 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement . . | 1,722 |
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| Total number gained | 4,011 |
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| Aggregate | 21,976 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 246 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 50 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 413 |
| “ “ “ suspension . . . | 1,765 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge | 5 |
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| Total loss | 2,479 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 1,532 |

I herewith present a detailed report of the changes that have taken place in each Post the past year.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1886.

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate. | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|------------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Wm. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 253 | 26 | 3 | 14 | 43 | 296 | 4 | ... | 2 | 24 | ... | 30 | 266 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 220 | 30 | 10 | ... | 40 | 260 | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 8 | 252 |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 161 | 16 | 5 | 9 | 30 | 191 | 2 | ... | ... | 12 | ... | 14 | 177 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 63 | 13 | 2 | ... | 15 | 78 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 76 |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 949 | 109 | 19 | 179 | 307 | 1256 | 10 | 1 | ... | 238 | ... | 249 | 1007 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 46 | 2 | ... | 4 | 6 | 52 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 50 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 412 | 75 | 16 | 33 | 124 | 536 | 9 | 2 | 12 | ... | ... | 23 | 513 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 78 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 91 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 85 |
| Reno..... | 9 | 94 | 4 | ... | 23 | 27 | 121 | 1 | ... | 2 | 25 | ... | 28 | 93 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 601 | 28 | 10 | 51 | 89 | 690 | 9 | ... | 13 | 35 | ... | 57 | 633 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 241 | 26 | 6 | 7 | 39 | 253 | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 6 | 247 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 205 | 21 | 1 | 15 | 37 | 242 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 21 | ... | 30 | 212 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 186 | 17 | 1 | 20 | 38 | 224 | 2 | ... | 3 | 14 | ... | 19 | 205 |
| C. O. Phillips..... | 14 | 33 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 43 | ... | 1 | 1 | 14 | ... | 16 | 27 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 440 | 103 | 22 | 44 | 169 | 609 | 8 | 2 | 11 | 30 | 2 | 53 | 556 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 473 | 30 | 6 | 11 | 47 | 520 | 8 | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | 16 | 504 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 89 | 13 | 3 | 3 | 19 | 108 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 107 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 35 | ... | 1 | 21 | 22 | 57 | ... | 1 | 1 | 18 | ... | 20 | 37 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 239 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 18 | 257 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 2 | ... | 14 | 243 |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 23 | 7 | ... | 2 | 9 | 32 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 30 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 54 | 5 | ... | 1 | 6 | 60 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 57 |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 125 | 14 | 1 | 9 | 24 | 149 | 2 | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 8 | 141 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 128 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 144 | 1 | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 137 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 73 | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 75 | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 6 | 69 |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 32 | 9 | ... | ... | 9 | 41 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | 37 |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 164 | 19 | 3 | 16 | 38 | 202 | ... | ... | 4 | 6 | ... | 10 | 192 |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | 45 | 1 | ... | 5 | 6 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | ... | 7 | 44 |
| George D. Wells..... | 28 | 31 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 32 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 32 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 111 | 17 | 4 | 2 | 23 | 134 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 6 | 128 |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | 264 | 26 | 6 | 20 | 52 | 316 | 3 | ... | 5 | 13 | 1 | 22 | 294 |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | 63 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 63 |
| Washington..... | 32 | 70 | 17 | 2 | 9 | 28 | 98 | ... | ... | 11 | 3 | ... | 14 | 84 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 85 | 4 | ... | 10 | 14 | 99 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 4 | ... | 14 | 85 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 225 | 30 | 3 | 113 | 146 | 371 | 3 | ... | 4 | 62 | ... | 69 | 302 |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 432 | 23 | 2 | 90 | 115 | 547 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 124 | ... | 137 | 410 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 54 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 58 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 54 |
| Frazer A. Stearns..... | 37 | 102 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 107 | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 6 | 101 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 58 | 9 | 1 | ... | 10 | 68 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 67 |
| Needham..... | 39 | 343 | 20 | ... | 1 | 21 | 364 | 5 | ... | 6 | 8 | ... | 19 | 345 |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 141 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 17 | 158 | 1 | 2 | ... | 10 | ... | 13 | 145 |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 155 | 9 | ... | 3 | 12 | 167 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 7 | 160 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 353 | 36 | 5 | 29 | 70 | 423 | 6 | ... | 101 | 10 | ... | 117 | 306 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 131 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 16 | 147 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 7 | 140 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 34 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 34 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 31 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 160 | 28 | 2 | 2 | 32 | 192 | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 6 | 186 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 215 | 23 | ... | 16 | 39 | 254 | 7 | ... | 8 | 14 | ... | 29 | 225 |
| Major How..... | 47 | 269 | 33 | 5 | 72 | 110 | 379 | 7 | ... | 1 | 66 | 1 | 75 | 304 |
| George S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 50 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 56 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 53 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 243 | 10 | 1 | ... | 11 | 254 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 9 | ... | 24 | 230 |
| Union..... | 50 | 117 | 7 | 1 | 39 | 47 | 164 | 3 | ... | ... | 21 | ... | 24 | 140 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 62 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 65 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 61 |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 76 | 1 | ... | 5 | 6 | 82 | 1 | ... | 2 | 7 | ... | 10 | 72 |
| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | 112 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 123 | ... | 2 | 2 | 3 | ... | 7 | 116 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 23 |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | 37 | 3 | ... | 3 | 6 | 43 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 40 |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 114 | 19 | 8 | 7 | 34 | 148 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 145 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 158 | 15 | 4 | 9 | 28 | 186 | 4 | ... | 4 | 24 | ... | 32 | 154 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 205 | 2 | ... | 328 | 330 | 535 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 342 | ... | 345 | 190 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 28 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 29 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29 |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 76 | 5 | ... | 1 | 6 | 82 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 76 |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 99 | 4 | ... | 9 | 13 | 112 | 2 | ... | 2 | 12 | ... | 16 | 96 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | 104 | 10 | 4 | ..... | 14 | 118 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 115 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 163 | 29 | 6 | ..... | 35 | 198 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 6 | ..... | 8 | 190 |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 78 | 5 | 1 | ..... | 6 | 84 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 4 | 80 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 40 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 41 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 37 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 100 | 7 | ..... | 6 | 13 | 113 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 108 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 46 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 49 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 48 |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 254 | 10 | 4 | 7 | 21 | 275 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 8 | ..... | 19 | 256 |
| Joseph P. Rice..... | 69 | 26 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 27 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 26 |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | 52 | 1 | ..... | 21 | 22 | 74 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 22 | ..... | 25 | 49 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 138 | 17 | ..... | 1 | 18 | 156 | 2 | ..... | 4 | 11 | ..... | 17 | 139 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 60 | 2 | ..... | 10 | 12 | 72 | ..... | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | 6 | 66 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 90 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 92 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | ..... | 11 | 81 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 116 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 121 | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 119 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 101 | 9 | ..... | ..... | 9 | 110 | 2 | 1 | ..... | 10 | ..... | 13 | 97 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 129 | 18 | 2 | 5 | 25 | 154 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... | 8 | 146 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 22 | 3 | ..... | 1 | 4 | 26 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 25 |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 136 | 3 | ..... | 32 | 35 | 171 | 5 | ..... | 1 | 39 | ..... | 45 | 126 |
| Charles D. Sanford..... | 79 | 103 | 13 | ..... | 3 | 16 | 119 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 4 | ..... | 8 | 111 |
| Arthur G. Bischoe..... | 80 | 99 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 105 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... | 7 | 97 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 58 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 70 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 4 | ..... | 7 | 63 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 179 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 187 | 2 | ..... | 5 | 4 | ..... | 11 | 176 |
| Joseph E. Wilder..... | 83 | 30 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 29 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 26 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 27 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 5 | 22 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 34 | 8 | ..... | 2 | 10 | 44 | 3 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 40 |
| William L. Baker..... | 86 | 184 | 34 | 3 | ..... | 37 | 221 | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 217 |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | 68 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 70 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 69 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 90 | 4 | 3 | ..... | 7 | 97 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 4 | ..... | 6 | 91 |
| John H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 155 | 11 | 2 | 54 | 67 | 222 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 35 | ..... | 42 | 180 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 141 | 24 | 2 | 5 | 31 | 172 | 3 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 168 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 28 | 4 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 32 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 32 |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 55 | 19 | ..... | 1 | 20 | 75 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 3 | 72 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 62 | 9 | ..... | 3 | 12 | 74 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 1 | ..... | 6 | 68 |
| Revere..... | 94 | 70 | 5 | ..... | 2 | 7 | 77 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 5 | ..... | 7 | 70 |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | 50 | 4 | ..... | 6 | 10 | 60 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 4 | ..... | 6 | 54 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 24 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 30 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 28 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 45 | 6 | 2 | ..... | 8 | 53 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 53 |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | 30 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 2 | 32 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 | 30 |
| Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 52 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 57 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 54 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 74 | 1 | 3 | ..... | 5 | 79 | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 73 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 54 | ..... | ..... | 8 | 8 | 62 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 7 | ..... | 9 | 53 |
| Huntington F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 59 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 60 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 3 | 57 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 70 | 10 | ..... | 2 | 12 | 82 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 3 | ..... | 14 | 68 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 62 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 62 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 60 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 39 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 40 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 40 |
| Otis W. Wallace..... | 106 | 59 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 67 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 10 | ..... | 11 | 56 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 47 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 49 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 48 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 76 | 7 | 2 | 16 | 25 | 101 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 17 | ..... | 18 | 83 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 42 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 50 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 46 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 45 | 10 | ..... | 21 | 31 | 76 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 9 | ..... | 9 | 67 |
| Joseph E. Simmons..... | 111 | 31 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 33 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 2 | 31 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 51 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 52 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 4 | 48 |
| Edward W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 110 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 120 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | ..... | 12 | 108 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 57 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 60 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 4 | 56 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 30 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 30 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 63 | 22 | 2 | 36 | 60 | 123 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 24 | ..... | 27 | 96 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 30 | 3 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 34 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 34 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 31 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 34 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 34 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 37 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 38 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 38 |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 247 | 25 | 2 | 21 | 48 | 295 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 19 | ..... | 32 | 263 |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 142 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 154 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 11 | ..... | 13 | 141 |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 65 | 7 | | 10 | 17 | 82 | | | 3 | 5 | | 8 | 74 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 109 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 113 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | | 12 | 101 |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 47 | 9 | | 3 | 12 | 59 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | 7 | 52 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorabl Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 205 | 14 | 3 | 10 | 27 | 232 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 21 | ... | 30 | 202 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 75 | 6 | ... | 4 | 10 | 85 | ... | ... | 3 | 11 | ... | 14 | 71 |
| T. L. Bouney..... | 127 | 27 | ... | ... | 21 | 48 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 15 | ... | 16 | 32 |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 103 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 108 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 106 |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | 30 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 31 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 29 |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 36 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 49 | ... | 1 | 3 | 4 | ... | 8 | 41 |
| George M. Thomas..... | 131 | 50 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 52 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 50 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 51 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 64 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 62 |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | 31 | 2 | ... | 13 | 15 | 46 | 3 | ... | ... | 21 | ... | 24 | 22 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 48 | 9 | ... | 3 | 12 | 60 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | 10 | 50 |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 24 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25 |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 39 | 6 | ... | 2 | 8 | 47 | 1 | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 6 | 41 |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 33 | 10 | ... | ... | 10 | 43 | 1 | ... | 2 | 9 | ... | 11 | 32 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 72 | 5 | ... | 1 | 6 | 78 | 1 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 5 | 73 |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 65 | 29 | 8 | 22 | 59 | 124 | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 7 | 117 |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 73 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 15 | 88 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 4 | 84 |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 47 | 3 | ... | 1 | 4 | 51 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 50 |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 26 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 43 | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 45 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 92 | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 96 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 90 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 101 | 11 | 1 | 4 | 16 | 117 | 3 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 10 | 107 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 20 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 21 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 19 |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 105 | 11 | 1 | 9 | 21 | 126 | 2 | ... | 5 | 7 | ... | 14 | 112 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 26 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 27 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | 5 | 22 |
| Maj. George L. Stearns..... | 149 | 40 | 14 | ... | 10 | 24 | 64 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 7 | 57 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 43 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 44 | 1 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 5 | 39 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 12 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 13 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 40 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 42 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 61 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 64 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 63 |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 48 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 50 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50 |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 61 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 61 | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | 8 | 53 |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 57 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 14 | 71 | ... | 1 | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 64 |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | 37 | 4 | ... | ... | 41 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 40 |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser..... | 158 | 40 | 5 | ... | ... | 45 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 44 |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | 123 | 20 | 4 | 2 | 26 | 149 | ... | ... | 1 | 10 | ... | 11 | 138 |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 32 | 4 | ... | 3 | 7 | 39 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 33 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 60 | ... | 6 | 2 | 8 | 68 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 5 | 63 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 60 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 65 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 61 |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 48 | 8 | 1 | ... | 9 | 57 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 54 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 23 |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 48 | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 51 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 48 |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 70 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 71 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 70 |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 21 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 23 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 4 | 19 |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 49 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 61 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 60 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 36 | 5 | 2 | ... | 7 | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 43 |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 38 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 42 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 41 |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 27 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 28 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 25 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 18 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 19 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 19 |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 38 | 5 | 2 | 12 | 19 | 57 | ... | ... | 3 | 13 | ... | 16 | 41 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 81 | 17 | 2 | 2 | 21 | 102 | ... | 1 | 3 | 3 | ... | 7 | 95 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 21 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 23 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 20 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | 67 | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 73 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ... | 8 | 65 |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 30 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 34 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 33 |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 20 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 24 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 22 |
| Samue F. Woods..... | 179 | 36 | 8 | 2 | ... | 10 | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 46 |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | 55 | 6 | 1 | ... | 7 | 62 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | 58 |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 33 | 6 | ... | ... | 6 | 39 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 37 |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton..... | 182 | 19 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 27 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 25 |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | ... | 33 | 2 | ... | 35 | 35 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 33 |
| Sergeant Plunkett..... | 184 | ... | 37 | 1 | ... | 38 | 38 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 |
| Ladd and Whitney..... | 185 | ... | 144 | 98 | ... | 242 | 242 | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 7 | 235 |

Of the one hundred and eighty-five Posts comprising this Department, one hundred and thirty-three have gained in membership, twelve have the same number as one year ago, and forty have lost in number. Number of rejections during the year, fifty-eight. Two hundred and forty-six comrades have died during the year, — an excess over last year of twenty-seven.

POSTS.

Three new Posts have been mustered during the year, as follows: —

Sergeant Plunkett Post No. 184 of Ashburnham; mustered April 1, 1886; charter members, 33. Ladd and Whitney Post No. 185 of Lowell; mustered April 14, 1886; charter members, 218. John A. Logan Post 186 of Cambridgeport; mustered Jan. 13, 1887; charter members, 55.

The gain of Posts by counties is as follows: Middlesex, two; Worcester, one. Total, three.

I herewith present a tabulated report, giving in detail the strength of each county, number of each Post, the number of members in good standing, Dec. 31, 1886, with date of charter.

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 62, | Feb. 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 50, | Mar. 15, 1882 |
| 55, Provincetown, | 40, | Sept. 23, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 3; members, 152. | | |

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 79, North Adams, | 111, | Mar. 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 202, | Mar. 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 71, | June 12, 1870 |
| 158, Housatonic, | 44, | Aug. 23, 1863 |
| 177, Lee, | 33, | Nov. 6, 1884 |
| 178, Otis, | 22, | Nov. 28, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 6; members, 483. | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 266, | Oct. 4, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 177, | Jan. 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 225, | Jan. 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 72, | Feb. 29, 1868 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 107, | June 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 19, | April 27, 1881 |
| 170, Mansfield, | 41, | July 31, 1884 |
| 182, Somerset, | 25, | Oct. 16, 1885 |
| Total—Posts, 8; members, 932. | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------------|
| 5, Lynn, | 1,007, | Feb. 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 302, | Nov. 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 345, | Dec. 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 186, | Jan. 21, 1868 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 304, | Jan. 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 230, | Feb. 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 140, | April 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 48, | Sept. 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 176, | Mar. 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 180, | June 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 168, | June 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 54, | June 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 54, | April 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 73, | Feb. 1, 1877 |
| 101, Groveland, | 53, | July 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 56, | Dec. 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 83, | Aug. 19, 1868 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 56, | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 34, | Jan. 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 74, | Mar. 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 106, | Jan. 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 13, | Jan. 10, 1874 |
| 152, Essex, | 42, | Jan. 22, 1883 |
| Total—Posts, 23; members, 3,784. | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------|------|---------------|
| 17, Orange, | 107, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 30, | March 4, 1875 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 84, South Deerfield, | 22, | April 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 68, | June 15, 1869 |
| 150, Montague, | 39, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 162, Turners Falls, | 61, | Jan. 25, 1884 |
| 164, Conway, | 23, | April 29, 1884 |
| 171, Northfield, | 25, | Aug. 15, 1884 |
| 174, Greenfield, | 95, | Aug. 29, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 9; members, 470. | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 16, Springfield, | 504, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 160, | Jan. 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 139, | Nov. 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 68, | Oct. 7, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 48, | July 18, 1881 |
| 155, Monson, | 53, | May 26, 1883 |
| 183, S. Hadley, | 33, | Jan. 14, 1886 |
| Total—Posts, 7; members, 1,005. | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 85, Ware, | 40, | May 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 217, | Aug. 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 53, | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 112, | Oct. 31, 1882 |
| 166, East Hampton, | 70, | June 17, 1884 |
| 176, Huntington, | 65, | Oct. 9, 1884 |
| Total—Posts, 6; members, 557. | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|------|---------------|
| 4, Melrose, | 76, | Feb. 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 50, | March 8, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 93, | May 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 212, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 27, | July, 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 37, | Aug. 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 128, | Oct. 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridgeport, | 294, | Oct. 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 85, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 54, | May 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 145, | Oct. 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 306, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 140, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 53, | Jan. 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 145, | June 26, 1868 |
| 57, E. Cambridge, | 154, | June 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 115, | July 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 190, | July 23, 1880 |
| 66, Medford, | 108, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 97, | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 63, | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 115, Groton, | 30, | July 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 38, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 263, | Oct. 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 73, | May 2, 1883 |
| 139, Somerville, | 117, | Aug. 18, 1870 |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 142, Framingham, | 30, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 32, | May 22, 1872 |
| 156, Everett, | 64, | June 14, 1883 |
| 161, Woburn, | 63, | Jan. 23, 1884 |
| 163, S. Framingham, | 54, | Mar. 25, 1884 |
| 180, Concord, | 58, | Dec. 20, 1884 |
| 185, Lowell, | 235, | April 14, 1868 |
| Total — Posts, 32; members, 3,619. | | |

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 190, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 76, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 66, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 69, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 91, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 32, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 70, | June 24, 1869 |
| 98, Cohasset, | 30, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 102, Milton, | 57, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 67, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 34, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 141, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 41, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 22, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 45, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 90, | May 22, 1871 |
| 157, Walpole, | 40, | July 21, 1883 |
| 169, Norwood, | 43, | July 21, 1884 |
| 181, Needham, | 37, | June 5, 1885 |
| Total — Posts, 19; members, 1,241. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 85, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 205, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 63, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 81, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 119, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 146, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, So. Abington, | 126, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 29, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 60, | July 26, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 31, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 48, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 52, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 32, | June 11, 1870 |
| 154, Kingston, | 50, | May 24, 1883 |
| 165, Duxbury, | 48, | May 19, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 1,275. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 252, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 513, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 247, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 556, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 57, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 23, East Boston, | 137, | Sept. 17, 1867 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 26, Roxbury, | 192, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 84, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 410, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 256, | Oct. 8, 1868 |
| 92, Brighton, | 72, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 108, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 50, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 57, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 159, East Boston, | 138, | Sept. 7, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 3,109. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 633, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 243, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 141, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 69, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 37, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 44, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 32, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 101, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 67, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 31, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 61, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 116, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 23, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 29, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 96, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 80, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 37, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 26, | Nov. 9, 1866 |
| 70, Millbury, | 49, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 25, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 97, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 28, | June 28, 1869 |
| 105, Upton, | 40, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 46, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 96, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 101, | June 1, 1870 |
| 129, Millville, | 29, | April 25, 1883 |
| 131, Leicester, | 50, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 25, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 41, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 32, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 84, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 153, Winchendon, | 63, | Mar. 6, 1883 |
| 160, W. Brookfield, | 33, | Sept. 18, 1883 |
| 167, Whitinsville, | 19, | June 18, 1884 |
| 168, Southbridge, | 60, | June 27, 1884 |
| 172, Bolton, | 19, | Aug. 18, 1884 |
| 173, Sturbridge, | 41, | Aug. 26, 1884 |
| 175, Lancaster, | 20, | Sept. 5, 1884 |
| 179, Barre, | 46, | Dec. 11, 1884 |
| 184, Ashburnham, | 38, | April 1, 1886 |
| Total — Posts, 41; members, 2,948. | | |

There have been issued during the year twelve General Orders, eighty-seven Special Orders and five Circulars.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| There has been expended for relief during the year, | \$38,615 46 |
| During first quarter | 10,451 40 |
| During second quarter | 9,873 92 |
| During third quarter | 8,624 35 |
| During fourth quarter | 9,665 78 |
| | <hr/> \$38,615 45 |

In closing, I return my thanks to the Department Commander for his uniform kindness, and to the Department officers, official Staff, and the officers and comrades of the various Posts, for their courtesy in my official relations with them.

I have the honor to be

Yours in F., C. and L.,

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1887.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I hereby submit my report of the operations of this office during the past year.

The following tables, sustained by complete vouchers, contain a full statement of the receipts and expenditures:—

RECEIPTS.

| 1886. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|---|------------|------------------|
| Cash on hand as per last report | | \$4,394 40 |
| Received for dues first quarter, 1886 | | |
| “ “ second quarter | | 1,076 05 |
| “ “ third quarter | | 1,108 64 |
| “ “ fourth quarter | | 1,158 42 |
| “ “ books and blanks | | 365 51 |
| “ “ badges | | 1 261 20 |
| “ “ buttons | | 206 40 |
| “ “ sundries | | 96 03 |
| Total receipts | | <hr/> \$9,666 65 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$1,280 10 |
| “ “ “ dues | 565 06 |
| “ rent and care of office | 352 00 |
| “ salaries Assistant Adjutant-General | 1,191 63 |
| “ Tremont Temple Convention | 75 00 |
| <i>Carried forward</i> | <hr/> \$3,463 79 |

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| <i>Brought forward</i> | \$3,463 79 | |
| Paid inspections | 103 78 | |
| “ printing books, blanks, General Orders, etc. | 980 58 | |
| “ postals, postage, telegrams, clerk hire, office expenses, etc. | 460 11 | |
| “ organizing new Posts | 8 25 | |
| “ court-martial | 25 80 | |
| “ Dept. Commander travelling expenses | 81 48 | |
| “ Dept. Headquarters in California | 64 00 | |
| “ Dept. Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General in California | 250 00 | |
| “ Veterans' Rights Union | 500 00 | |
| Total expenditures | | \$5,937 79 |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$3,728 86</u> |
| Vouchers cover the expenses. | | |

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 30, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| 1887. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$3,728 86 | |
| Received for dues | 1,169 82 | |
| “ “ books and blanks | 65 12 | |
| “ “ badges | 112 80 | |
| “ “ buttons | 11 30 | |
| “ “ sundries | 117 74 | |
| Total receipts | | \$5,205 64 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|---|----------|-------------------|
| Paid National Headquarters, dues | \$194 97 | |
| “ rent and care of office | 32 00 | |
| “ salaries | 108 34 | |
| “ printing books, blanks and General Orders | 116 43 | |
| “ inspections | 118 20 | |
| “ postage, expenses, clerk hire, office expense | 114 58 | |
| Total expenditures | | \$684 51 |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$4,521 12</u> |

ASSETS.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand | \$4,521 12 |
| Value of supplies on hand | 277 35 |
| Office furniture | 413 50 |
| Colors | 30 00 |
| Due from Posts for supplies | 22 25 |
| Total | <u>\$5,264 22</u> |

AND NO LIABILITIES.

With many thanks to the Department Commander and officers of the Staff,

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

JOHN H. O'DONNELL,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1887.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following as the Inspector's report of the Department of Massachusetts:—

Three Posts have been organized during the past year, namely, Sergeant Plunkett Post No. 184, Ashburnham, with over 30 members; Ladd and Whitney Post No. 185, Lowell, with 218 charter members (132 of them were never in the Order previously); and John A. Logan Post No. 186, Cambridge, 55 charter members (more than 40 of these were recruits). The inference to be drawn from these facts seems to be that the Department has not attained its full growth.

I submit a comparative statement, showing the condition Sept. 30, 1885, and 1886:—

| | 1885. | 1886. |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Number of members in good standing | 17,647 | 19,307 |
| Number of Posts where ritual is memorized | 129 | 136 |
| Number of Posts where members are uniformed | 162 | 165 |
| Full uniform | 30 | 44 |
| Hat, blouse and belt | 58 | 64 |
| Hat and blouse or blouse and belt | 74 | 57 |
| Number of Posts where officers wear rank badges | 171 | 175 |
| Number of Posts where side-arms are owned | 129 | 144 |
| Number of Posts where guards are armed | 156 | 166 |
| Number of Posts where badge is presented | 136 | 147 |
| Number of members suspended | 826 | 761 |
| Number of members dropped | 450 | 414 |
| Relief funds | \$113,381 51 | \$140,620 55 |
| Post funds | 41,990 36 | 55,471 98 |
| Other property | 97,974 63 | 223,060 49 |
| Expended for charity | 36,770 03 | 37,289 55 |
| Comrades assisted | 1,543 00 | 1,521 00 |
| Others assisted | 896 00 | 992 00 |

In addition to these funds the Woman's Relief Corps have in their Relief Funds over \$9400.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | What is the average attendance of officers at Post meetings? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman.. | 1 | 263 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 50 | 25 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 247 | Yes | Yes | Hl't, Hat, Bl., B't, S.A | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 11 | 75 | None |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 2 | 177 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 28 | 2 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 76 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt, | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 22 | None |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 1028 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl., B't, P'ts, S.A | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 225 | 79 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | 15 | None |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | 493 | Yes | Yes | H't't, Bl'se, Side-Arms | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 100 | None |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 30 | None |
| Reno..... | 9 | 88 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 25 | 11 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 628 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 78 | 4 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 240 | Yes | Yes | Hel't, Bl'se, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 65 | None |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 215 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 11 | 40 | 4 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 195 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 41 | 9 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 40 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | 8 | 20 | None |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 546 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 100 | 8 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 501 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 72 | 1 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 105 | Yes | Yes | Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 28 | None |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 33 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 12 | 14 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 243 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 50 | 2 |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 28 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 12 | 1 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 15 | 1 |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 138 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 41 | None |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 134 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 35 | 1 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 69 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 16 | None |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 33 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | 15 | 2 |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 190 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 80 | 1 |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 31 | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 13 | 3 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 122 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 30 | 2 |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 287 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 71 | 12 |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 63 | No | Yes | Hat, Bl'se, Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 21 | None |
| Washington..... | 32 | 87 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Bl'se, Pants, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 12 | 35 | 2 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 88 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | 23 | None |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 290 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 52 | 35 |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 407 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl'se, Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... | 100 | 75 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 20 | 3 |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 104 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 30 | 1 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 20 | None |
| Needham..... | 39 | 346 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 50 | None |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 139 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 35 | None |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 159 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 25 | 9 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 295 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 56 | None |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 140 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 30 | 3 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 31 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 180 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl'se, Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 40 | None |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 226 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 40 | 10 |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 291 | Yes | Yes | Hel't, Bl'se, Side-Arms | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 55 | 33 |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 24 | None |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 237 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 48 | 7 |
| Union..... | 50 | 135 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 25 | 4 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 20 | None |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 74 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 7 | 20 | None |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 116 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 20 | 6 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | 24 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 12 | 1 |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Coat, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 20 | None |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 137 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl'se, Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 43 | None |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 165 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 40 | 5 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 202 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 45 | 84 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 29 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | 9 | 10 | None |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 76 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 35 | 11 |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 96 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 21 | 2 |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 116 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 35 | None |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 192 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 70 | None |

MASSACHUSETTS G.A.R., FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30, 1886.

| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Have all reports and dues been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| 10 | Yes | \$3 00 | \$4 00 | \$207 76 | \$934 00 | Yes | \$1,000 00 | Yes | \$2 00 | \$497 23 | 20 | 10 |
| None | Yes | 5 00 | 3 00 | 226 04 | 798 34 | Yes | 15,000 00 | No | ..... | 469 33 | 10 | 13 |
| 11 | Yes | 4 00 | 2 60 | 180 51 | 1,299 96 | Yes | 1,246 96 | No | ..... | 379 74 | 11 | 19 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 34 13 | 628 42 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 132 05 | 5 | 2 |
| 7 | Yes | 6 00 | 3 00 | 1,751 11 | 4,805 11 | Yes | 60,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 7,721 58 | 224 | 98 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 539 26 | 75 20 | Yes | 3,324 00 | No | ..... | 77 55 | 2 | 1 |
| 5 | Yes | 3 50 | 3 00 | 257 08 | 1,158 60 | Yes | 3,500 00 | No | ..... | 795 20 | 92 | 4 |
| 3 | Yes | 3 50 | 3 00 | 10 10 | 607 12 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 36 52 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 60 | 4 00 | 339 55 | 409 99 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 207 70 | 3 | 12 |
| 8 | Yes | 3 50 | 2 00 | 612 39 | 3,220 41 | Yes | 3,000 00 | No | ..... | 1,205 15 | 50 | 53 |
| 2 | Yes | 5 00 | 3 00 | 554 12 | 3,154 08 | Yes | 1,254 71 | No | ..... | 188 25 | 4 | 9 |
| 6 | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 106 85 | 1,219 08 | Yes | 71 55 | Yes | 5 00 | 715 38 | 25 | 7 |
| None | Yes | 3 50 | 3 00 | 1,235 01 | 1,958 80 | Yes | 13,000 00 | No | ..... | 550 00 | 21 | 22 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 101 05 | 276 20 | Yes | 200 00 | Yes | 2 50 | 46 25 | 4 | 2 |
| 14 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1,246 44 | 3,265 55 | Yes | 2,150 00 | Yes | ..... | 715 25 | 26 | 13 |
| 22 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 1,061 23 | 1,365 38 | Yes | 1,674 50 | No | ..... | 451 12 | 13 | 29 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 104 22 | 452 15 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 40 00 | 6 | 2 |
| 1 | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 595 32 | 564 46 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 17 46 | None | 9 |
| 2 | Yes | 6 00 | 3 00 | 4,087 42 | 2,716 30 | Yes | 4,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 681 57 | 24 | 6 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 50 23 | 107 22 | Yes | 90 00 | No | ..... | 10 00 | None | 1 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 106 48 | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 5 00 | 66 50 | 6 | 4 |
| 5 | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 626 72 | 286 15 | Yes | 1,714 87 | No | ..... | 179 31 | 7 | 5 |
| 4 | Yes | 2 60 | 4 00 | 12 64 | 3,398 11 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 354 34 | 7 | 6 |
| 5 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 247 11 | 11 50 | Yes | 109 00 | No | ..... | 4 85 | 2 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 60 | 31 20 | 82 78 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 154 00 | 4 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 5 00 | 4 00 | 686 93 | 93 08 | Yes | 1,350 00 | No | ..... | 320 57 | 10 | 17 |
| 4 | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | 26 34 | 57 26 | Yes | 13 24 | Yes | 2 00 | 23 00 | 3 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 40 36 | 315 85 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 56 49 | 2 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 80 31 | 1,866 04 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 182 09 | 23 | 2 |
| 7 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1,303 55 | 338 36 | Yes | 1,438 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 323 66 | 22 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 5 00 | 2 00 | 30 72 | 3,013 38 | Yes | 1,260 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 187 20 | 1 | 1 |
| 10 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 60 71 | 152 50 | Yes | 325 00 | No | ..... | 36 00 | 5 | ..... |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | 45 78 | 276 01 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 112 58 | 4 | 16 |
| 8 | Yes | 3 65 | 3 00 | 437 36 | 762 06 | Yes | 1,135 00 | Yes | 1 00 | 692 65 | 30 | 3 |
| 7 | Yes | 5 00 | 4 00 | 160 00 | ..... | Yes | 22,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 512 71 | 35 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | 874 00 | 886 27 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 172 55 | 9 | 1 |
| 2 | Yes | 1 50 | 1 50 | 106 54 | 462 68 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 126 85 | 6 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 13 87 | 300 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 37 06 | 3 | 9 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 250 90 | 3,000 00 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 1,004 54 | 66 | 63 |
| 10 | Yes | 2 75 | 4 00 | 1,133 21 | 768 93 | Yes | 1,600 00 | No | ..... | 169 44 | 10 | 25 |
| 11 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 50 | 111 65 | 562 66 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 84 00 | 8 | 3 |
| 23 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 2,227 45 | 6,766 48 | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 1,583 49 | 50 | 41 |
| 8 | Yes | 2 50 | 2 00 | 67 97 | 3,171 17 | Yes | 690 00 | No | ..... | 262 50 | 7 | 1 |
| 3 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 33 18 | 145 00 | Yes | 125 00 | No | ..... | 19 00 | 2 | None |
| 3 | Yes | 3 75 | 3 00 | 632 33 | 1,470 72 | Yes | 2,200 00 | No | ..... | 123 73 | 4 | 8 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 6 00 | 814 58 | ..... | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 454 00 | 23 | 2 |
| 8 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 7,770 08 | ..... | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 809 39 | 33 | 27 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 120 43 | 490 17 | Yes | 225 00 | No | ..... | 44 03 | 2 | 2 |
| None | Yes | 4 00 | 2 00 | 164 52 | 24 79 | Yes | 10,000 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 140 00 | 24 | None |
| 4 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 21 48 | 2,288 20 | Yes | 652 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 475 09 | 14 | 20 |
| 2 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 544 82 | 118 61 | Yes | 862 22 | No | ..... | 5 46 | None | 4 |
| 3 | Yes | 1 75 | 2 00 | 163 02 | 186 35 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 130 79 | 3 | 8 |
| 1 | Yes | 3 60 | 2 00 | 1,956 85 | 2,470 09 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 157 17 | 9 | 13 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 57 18 | 307 65 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | 18 68 | 160 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 6 00 | 1 | ..... |
| 3 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 152 43 | 617 03 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 271 80 | 11 | 3 |
| 4 | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | 451 44 | 1,362 62 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 645 57 | 26 | 5 |
| 4 | Yes | 15 00 | 4 00 | 395 00 | 12,151 09 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 594 22 | 17 | 7 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 20 | 55 67 | 487 57 | Yes | 78 00 | No | ..... | 22 00 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 45 53 | 444 22 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 32 50 | 3 | 1 |
| 5 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 183 66 | 1,664 63 | Yes | 380 00 | No | ..... | 328 00 | 4 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | 9 11 | 1,490 96 | No | | Yes | 3 00 | 106 96 | 8 | None |
| 3 | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 344 33 | 48 34 | Yes | 1,39 369 | No | | 44 55 | 4 | 8 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | What is the average attendance of officers at Post meetings? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------|
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 80 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | ..... | ..... | None |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 37 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 12 | 1 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 107 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 31 | None |
| Allen..... | 67 | 46 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 20 | None |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 258 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 53 | 2 |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | 26 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 13 | 8 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 135 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 25 | 11 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 65 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 20 | None |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 87 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 20 | None |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 119 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 22 | 25 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 97 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 25 | 10 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 142 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 24 | None |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 25 | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 10 | None |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 120 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 14 | 8 |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 110 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 30 | 2 |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 97 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 25 | 1 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 7 | 13 | 3 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 178 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 40 | None |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 31 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 12 | 3 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 27 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | No | No | Yes | 6 | 14 | None |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 37 | No | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | 12 | None |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 204 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 50 | None |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 68 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 25 | 2 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 88 | No | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 20 | 2 |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 165 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 30 | 20 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 164 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 37 | None |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 33 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 11 | None |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 72 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 27 | None |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 18 | None |
| Revere..... | 94 | 66 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 18 | 4 |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 53 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 20 | 2 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 28 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | 12 | None |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 54 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | No | 6 | 20 | None |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | 29 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 6 | 13 | None |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 53 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 17 | None |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 76 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Bl., B't, S.Arms | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 12 | 6 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 51 | Yes | Yes | Helt, Bl., Pants, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | 12 | 5 |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 57 | No | Yes | Caps | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 20 | None |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 5 | 15 | None |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 20 | None |
| J. Orson Fliske..... | 105 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 12 | 2 |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 56 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 16 | 1 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 48 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 10 | 20 | 1 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 84 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 20 | 4 |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | 40 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 10 | 16 | 1 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 26 | 4 |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 32 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 9 | 11 | None |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 48 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 12 | 4 |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 111 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 35 | None |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 57 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 10 | 20 | 2 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 30 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | No | No | No | No | 11 | 12 | None |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 70 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 30 | 23 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 33 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Coat, Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 15 | 1 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 34 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | 8 | 15 | None |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 38 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 19 | None |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 252 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 47 | 8 |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 140 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | 30 | None |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | No | No | Yes | Yes | 9 | 25 | 5 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 101 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 20 | 7 |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 55 | Yes | Yes | H'm't, Bl'se, P'ts, B't | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 21 | None |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 202 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 30 | 13 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 77 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 25 | 1 |

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| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Have all reports and dues been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| None | Yes | \$2 00 | \$1 50 | \$115 92 | \$1,061 15 | No | ..... | Yes | \$3 00 | \$18 00 | 6 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 104 85 | 114 00 | Yes | \$565 00 | No | ..... | 2 51 | ..... | 3 |
| None | Yes | 2 75 | 2 00 | 575 25 | ..... | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 5 75 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 217 40 | 1,108 81 | Yes | 475 00 | Yes | ..... | 85 00 | 3 | 2 |
| 5 | Yes | 5 00 | 4 00 | 121 63 | 1,500 00 | Yes | 4,400 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 498 50 | 23 | 6 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | 90 26 | 33 44 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 2 50 | None | 3 |
| 5 | Yes | 1 50 | 2 00 | 163 24 | 124 19 | Yes | 227 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 57 77 | 808 26 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 260 28 | 5 | 20 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 163 12 | 987 63 | Yes | 355 00 | No | ..... | 195 45 | 7 | 8 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 43 16 | 1,789 39 | Yes | 2,789 39 | No | ..... | 144 25 | 5 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 407 67 | 143 07 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 203 89 | 8 | 1 |
| 2 | Yes | 1 75 | 3 00 | 62 09 | 356 27 | Yes | 1,455 66 | No | ..... | 209 65 | 10 | 9 |
| 1 | Yes | 4 00 | 3 00 | 276 11 | 1,520 31 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 288 34 | 12 | 10 |
| 2 | Yes | 1 00 | 50 | 27 20 | 232 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 10 00 | ..... | 2 |
| 5 | Yes | 3 60 | 2 00 | 24 60 | 859 16 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 329 00 | 13 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 1,284 70 | ..... | ..... | ..... | No | ..... | 112 90 | 7 | 4 |
| 2 | Yes | 2 50 | 2 00 | 29 38 | 2,228 13 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 15 00 | 2 | 11 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 60 | 4 00 | 240 75 | 74 83 | Yes | 550 00 | Yes | 2 50 | 171 37 | 30 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 3 75 | 3 00 | 132 00 | 350 00 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 107 00 | 3 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 32 39 | 489 98 | Yes | 25 00 | No | ..... | 5 00 | None | 1 |
| 3 | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 8 64 | 228 05 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 15 00 | None | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 216 28 | 267 05 | Yes | 256 45 | No | ..... | 42 25 | 3 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 154 20 | 3,665 15 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 396 30 | 10 | 10 |
| 4 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 550 00 | ..... | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 155 00 | 10 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 5 00 | 3 00 | 20 58 | 2,535 80 | Yes | 600 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 467 01 | 15 | 8 |
| 10 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 79 47 | 568 39 | Yes | 750 00 | No | ..... | 1,017 48 | 9 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 5 00 | 3 00 | 3,319 00 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 889 25 | 24 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 2 24 | 4 54 | 8 87 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 16 46 | 1 | None |
| 2 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 194 19 | 365 43 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 60 00 | 2 | 6 |
| 3 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 254 87 | ..... | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 66 43 | 2 | 7 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 750 47 | 1,305 96 | Yes | 600 00 | ..... | ..... | 38 27 | 1 | None |
| 2 | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 119 11 | 552 26 | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | ..... | 5 00 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 11 72 | 50 57 | Yes | 288 00 | No | ..... | 11 50 | None | 6 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | ..... | 60 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 20 00 | ..... | ..... |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | ..... | 550 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 28 00 | 2 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 46 64 | 444 03 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 42 08 | 1 | 4 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 3 00 27 | ..... | Yes | 1,200 00 | No | ..... | 25 00 | ..... | ..... |
| 3 | Yes | 1 00 | 3 32 | 55 34 | ..... | Yes | 30,000 00 | No | ..... | 43 50 | 2 | 2 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 3 71 | 183 69 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 23 00 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | Yes | 1 75 | 3 00 | 78 85 | 507 90 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 54 72 | 4 | 8 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 88 85 | 369 96 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 48 50 | 4 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 35 | 341 00 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 25 00 | 5 | 1 |
| 7 | Yes | 2 75 | 3 00 | 114 76 | 301 89 | Yes | 185 73 | No | ..... | 80 00 | 6 | 1 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 132 32 | ..... | Yes | 130 38 | No | ..... | 40 50 | 3 | None |
| 4 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 180 35 | 688 89 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 132 50 | 12 | 21 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 48 88 | 155 12 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 32 00 | 3 | 2 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | 269 40 | 1,172 98 | Yes | 60 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 171 12 | 7 | 2 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 28 43 | 70 14 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 20 00 | 2 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 374 63 | 120 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 44 75 | 2 | ..... |
| 2 | Yes | 5 00 | 6 00 | 107 26 | 5,522 11 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 97 00 | None | 8 |
| 2 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 40 | 1,014 13 | 21 88 | Yes | 1,167 23 | No | ..... | 93 13 | 4 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 89 00 | 1 68 | Yes | 25 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 3 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 244 19 | 830 19 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 574 37 | 3 | 5 |
| 1 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 58 65 | 635 70 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 40 00 | None | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 32 | 22 37 | 11 15 | No | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 1 | Yes | 2 50 | 2 00 | 74 04 | 703 22 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 17 00 | None | 11 |
| 5 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 606 53 | 6,288 66 | Yes | 1,750 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 720 86 | 21 | 6 |
| 11 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 50 | 50 32 | 145 45 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 109 00 | 4 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 507 40 | 434 63 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 20 00 | None | 1 |
| 3 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 528 34 | ..... | Yes | 728 00 | No | ..... | 91 12 | 15 | 6 |
| None | Yes | 3 50 | 4 00 | 16 64 | 97 32 | Yes | 115 00 | No | | 19 05 | 2 | 1 |
| 5 | Yes | 3 60 | 2 00 | 79 26 | 2,509 56 | Yes | 500 00 | No | | 522 15 | 14 | 7 |
| 3 | Yes | 2 70 | 2 00 | 21 51 | | No | | No | | | | |

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|-------------------------|--------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------|
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 33 | No | No | | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 7 | 12 | 12 |
| Gen. James Appleton.. | 128 | 106 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | 25 | 5 |
| William H. Freeman.... | 129 | 31 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | 8 | 12 | None |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | 34 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | 8 | 15 | 1 |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 8 | 13 | 2 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 61 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 15 | None |
| George H. Maintien.... | 133 | 32 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 17 | 6 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 45 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 10 | 25 | None |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 25 | Yes | Yes | Belt, Wreath, etc. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 15 | None |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 41 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 32 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 10 | 7 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 72 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 23 | None |
| Willard C. Kinsley.... | 139 | 113 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 45 | None |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 81 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 30 | None |
| Frank D. Hammond.... | 141 | 47 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 8 | 18 | None |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 28 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | No | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 12 | None |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 44 | No | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | 10 | 15 | None |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 40 | 8 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 108 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 35 | 3 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 19 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | 6 | 5 | None |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 111 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 45 | None |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 23 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | 10 | None |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns.... | 149 | 55 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | 7 | 21 | None |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 42 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 11 | 1 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 12 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | 5 | 8 | 1 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 41 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 20 | None |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 22 | 1 |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 50 | Yes | Yes | Helt, Bl., Pants, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 23 | None |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 54 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | No | Yes | Yes | No | 9 | 22 | 2 |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 21 | 3 |
| Elbridge D. Piper..... | 157 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 18 | None |
| E. S. Dresser..... | 158 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 15 | None |
| John A. Hayes..... | 159 | 133 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 9 | 43 | 5 |
| Alanson Hamilton.... | 160 | 31 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 15 | 2 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | 8 | 15 | 4 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 63 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 20 | None |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 20 | 1 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 21 | None |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 51 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 12 | None |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 17 | None |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 19 | No | No | ..... | No | No | No | No | 6 | 10 | 5 |
| Malcolm Ammidown.... | 168 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | No | No | Yes | 9 | 25 | None |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 24 | None |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 28 | 1 |
| Henry H. Johnson.... | 171 | 24 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 14 | 3 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 18 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 6 | 10 | None |
| Albert S. Johnson.... | 173 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | 7 | 15 | 4 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 94 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 45 | 1 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 19 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee.... | 176 | 66 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 20 | None |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 33 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 18 | None |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 22 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pts., Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | 10 | 1 |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | 8 | 18 | None |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott.. | 180 | 59 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 11 | 25 | None |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 15 | None |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton.... | 182 | 25 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 8 | 14 | 1 |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | 34 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | No | No | 6 | 18 | None |
| Sergeant Plunkett.... | 184 | 38 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | 11 | 26 | None |
| Ladd and Whitney.... | 185 | 236 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 7 | 50 | None |

MASS. G.A.R., FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30, 1886—Continued.

| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Have all reports and dues been forwarded? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? |
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| None | Yes | \$1 00 | \$1 00 | \$31 18 | \$237 16 | Yes | \$50 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 356 66 | 151 62 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | \$35 40 | 4 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 55 00 | | No | | No | | 12 00 | 2 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 20 00 | 50 00 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | | | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | 91 33 | 468 40 | Yes | 200 00 | No | | 42 50 | 2 | 2 |
| None | Yes | 3 75 | 3 00 | 95 71 | 490 78 | Yes | 325 00 | Yes | | 73 50 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 88 26 | 1,339 59 | Yes | 5,500 00 | No | | 88 55 | 7 | 12 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 3 00 | 90 00 | | Yes | 100 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | 11 00 | 8 | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 60 | 210 88 | Yes | 130 00 | No | | 10 00 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 3 57 | 67 12 | No | | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 50 | 20 00 | 400 00 | No | | No | | 15 00 | 3 | None |
| 2 | Yes | 2 75 | 2 00 | 80 82 | 175 00 | No | | No | | 2 67 | 9 | 2 |
| 5 | Yes | 3 50 | 4 00 | 74 62 | 618 62 | Yes | 500 00 | No | | 72 80 | 11 | 4 |
| 11 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 150 00 | | Yes | 250 00 | No | | 88 50 | 5 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 39 79 | 38 78 | Yes | 700 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 66 77 | 44 34 | Yes | 200 00 | No | | 38 50 | 8 | 5 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 1 00 | 79 14 | 396 75 | Yes | 500 00 | No | | 35 00 | None | 2 |
| 2 | Yes | 2 75 | 2 00 | 85 14 | 286 75 | Yes | 800 00 | No | | 68 05 | 4 | 8 |
| 9 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 52 92 | 17 95 | Yes | 1,800 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 3 00 | 7 15 | | No | | Yes | 2 00 | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 60 00 | 700 00 | Yes | 350 00 | No | | 103 70 | 8 | 3 |
| 3 | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | 6 00 | | No | | No | | | | |
| 4 | Yes | 2 00 | 4 20 | 65 00 | 126 66 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 85 25 | 8 | 2 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | 105 73 | 3 90 | Yes | 165 00 | No | | 59 73 | 3 | None |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 55 34 | | Yes | 1,500 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 75 | 2 00 | 156 78 | 270 95 | Yes | 332 07 | Yes | 4 00 | 15 00 | None | 1 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 138 10 | 245 41 | Yes | 600 00 | No | | 43 00 | 1 | None |
| 2 | Yes | 4 00 | 2 00 | 436 97 | 938 03 | Yes | 425 00 | No | | 51 70 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | Yes | 1 00 | 1 00 | 58 22 | 523 39 | Yes | 486 90 | No | | 75 00 | 2 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 60 | 4 00 | 33 90 | 954 81 | Yes | 834 85 | No | | 50 00 | 4 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 1 50 | 4 00 | 26 51 | 65 89 | Yes | 175 00 | No | | 10 00 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 3 60 | 2 00 | 28 49 | | No | | No | | | | |
| 2 | Yes | 3 00 | 4 00 | 75 00 | 1,700 00 | No | | Yes | 3 00 | 321 30 | 15 | 11 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 75 49 | 361 55 | Yes | 50 00 | No | | 39 52 | 3 | 3 |
| None | Yes | 1 00 | 3 00 | 75 00 | | Yes | 75 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 233 26 | 291 45 | Yes | 320 64 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 167 97 | 285 98 | Yes | 325 00 | No | | 58 02 | 7 | 30 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 31 00 | 100 00 | Yes | 60 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 50 | 2 40 | 44 85 | | Yes | 350 00 | No | | 5 00 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 26 41 | 813 55 | Yes | 175 00 | No | | 66 45 | None | 4 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 50 30 | | | | | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 21 21 | 573 65 | Yes | 35 00 | No | | 64 09 | 2 | 7 |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 3 00 | 88 47 | | No | | No | | 34 10 | 1 | |
| 1 | Yes | 2 50 | 2 40 | 10 11 | 1,000 00 | No | | No | | 10 00 | 1 | |
| None | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 7 50 | 115 00 | Yes | 141 92 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 50 | 2 00 | 100 00 | 100 00 | Yes | 100 00 | No | | 3 00 | | |
| 2 | Yes | 1 70 | 2 00 | 6 41 | 100 00 | Yes | 91 55 | No | | | | |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 136 46 | 52 18 | Yes | 419 13 | No | | 369 55 | 3 | 15 |
| 4 | Yes | 2 50 | 2 00 | 68 09 | 533 57 | No | | No | | 10 00 | 2 | None |
| 1 | Yes | 1 00 | 2 00 | 44 21 | 34 65 | Yes | 65 00 | No | | | | |
| 2 | Yes | 3 00 | 2 00 | 34 00 | 125 00 | Yes | 75 00 | No | | 27 00 | 2 | 4 |
| 1 | Yes | 2 00 | 1 00 | 29 50 | | Yes | 77 18 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 67 72 | 112 82 | No | | No | | 9 00 | None | 3 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 4 00 | | 310 00 | Yes | 300 00 | No | | 50 00 | 2 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 60 | 3 00 | 1 53 | 89 19 | Yes | 25 00 | No | | 5 00 | 2 | None |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 27 04 | | No | | No | | 6 41 | None | 1 |
| None | Yes | 2 00 | 2 00 | 101 75 | | No | | No | | 6 00 | 1 | None |
| None | Yes | 1 50 | 2 00 | 20 25 | | Yes | 75 00 | No | | | | |
| None | Yes | 4 00 | 4 00 | 300 86 | 148 00 | Yes | 150 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 146 00 | 4 | None |

It is apparent to all that the condition of this Department is even better than ever before, and with the experience of two years as a guide, I am not prepared to acknowledge that it has reached its height, but with "Excelsior" as our watchword, there are higher levels which we can and, I believe we shall attain.

Let me suggest a great improvement in the manner of conducting business, namely, promptness. If Commanders will but remember the old adage, "He gives twice who gives quickly," and forward the necessary returns to headquarters without delay, without compelling a second or third request, they will confer a great favor. Most of them do so, but some are always behind.

I would suggest that the delegates to the National Convention be urged to take up the form of inspection as prescribed, and improve it. The defects are apparent to any one who has seen its operation, and I need say no more.

To those comrades who have acted as Assistant Inspectors I return my hearty thanks. With their aid much has been done to tone up the Department, and they have always been willing to render any assistance possible.

With the Official Staff and other members of the Council my associations have been most friendly, and I shall ever cherish the many kind words which I have received.

As is well known, my relations with yourself have been of the most friendly nature, and I trust that the mutual interchange of courtesies may be continued in the future with benefit to both.

To our Commander I would tender my sincere congratulations upon his returning health, and assure him that this Department has suffered no loss at his hands, and with the hope that his life may be spared for many years, I remain,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

B. READ WALES,

Inspector.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1887.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to make the following report of the operations of the Judicial Department for the past year:—

It has been my pleasure to accompany the Department Commander in official visits to fourteen Posts in different parts of the State. I have attended the dedication of Memorial Halls at Milford and Brockton, the opening of the Fair at Lawrence, been

present at two hearings on questions of appeal on court-martial and reinstatement, and at two hearings on applications for characters for new Posts at Lowell and Cambridge.

I have rendered many verbal and nine written opinions on questions submitted to me by the Department Commander, principally on the construction and interpretation of Grand Army law.

In rendering opinions, I have endeavored to do justice to the questions, regardless of the persons interested, and I feel gratified to know that the comrades who were adversely affected by them were satisfied, and sought no appeal beyond the Department.

The acceptance by the comrades of the decisions of Department Headquarters is, in my opinion, one of the surest signs that true fraternity and good-will prevail throughout our State Department. The freedom of our Department organization from vexatious disputes and perplexing controversies, during the year past, is indicative of the harmony existing, and is deserving of earnest congratulation by all.

I wish to respectfully suggest that comrades, particularly Post officers, take pains to become familiar with the amendments to the Rules and Regulations adopted by the last National Encampment, issued in General Orders, No. 2, National Headquarters, dated Sept. 13, 1886, and promulgated throughout this Department by General Orders, No. 7, dated Sept. 22, 1886, as these amendments make a radical change in the manner of suspending and dropping members and reinstating dropped members.

Failure to follow these changes may hereafter cause considerable doubt to arise as to the legal standing of dropped and reinstated members.

In closing, I wish to extend to Commander Tobin and members of his Staff my sincere thanks for the many courtesies received and good comradeship exhibited in my intercourse with them during my official term.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

JOHN A. KEEFE,
Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 27, 1887.

Commander and Comrades: The Council of Administration, in submitting their report for the year, find they have but little to present on account of the completeness of the reports of the Department officers.

There have been four regular and two special meetings held by the Council, all of which have been fully attended, showing an interest in the work of our Order that is gratifying.

The first meeting, held March 10, was called for the purpose of organizing and to lay out the work for the year.

At the second meeting, held April 21, upon the request of Post 171 of Northfield, the Council voted to change its name from Albert S. Johnson to Henry H. Johnson.

At this meeting the committee appointed at the Department Encampment to confer with the Council in regard to the expediency of forming a Veterans' Rights Association were admitted, and after a full discussion of the subject, on motion of the Assistant Quartermaster-General, a sub-committee of five was appointed, two from the Council and three from the committee appointed by the Encampment, to consider the matter of organizing a Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, and present a report at some future meeting of the Council.

At a special meeting of the Council held June 14, called for the purpose of hearing the report of the subcommittee on Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, Comrade Weale of the Council and secretary of the subcommittee made a very comprehensive and carefully written report. After a full discussion of the subject it was voted that the Assistant Adjutant-General have a suitable number of copies printed for the use of the Council and committee, and that we adjourn to meet Monday, June 28.

A meeting of the Council was held in accordance with the above vote, printed copies of the report, or rather constitution, having been furnished all present. On motion of Assistant Quartermaster-General the constitution was taken up section by section and where no objection was raised the section was adopted. After several amendments had been made the constitution as reported by Comrade Weale was adopted.

On motion of Comrade Weale it was voted that the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to have a sufficient number of copies printed to furnish the several Posts throughout the Department, and that a General Order be issued to the Posts to take action thereon and elect, or the Post Commander appoint, two delegates to attend a Convention to be called September 8. The Convention was called, the constitution adopted and officers elected in accordance with its provisions.

At the meeting of the Council held July 21, the subject of holding a reunion was discussed. In consideration of the fact that the Department officers were obliged to be out of the State for a month, in order to attend the National Encampment, it was voted inexpedient to hold a reunion this year.

At the meeting of the Council held October 20, the fact that so few Posts had responded to the appeal for funds to aid the

work of the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, and realizing the fact that the Bureau was doing such a grand work, but were sadly in need of funds, the Council voted to appropriate five hundred dollars for the legitimate running expenses of the Bureau, until the meeting of the Department Encampment.

We have, through a committee appointed for the purpose, carefully examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant-General and Assistant Quartermaster-General, together with bills, vouchers, funds and supplies on hand, and can vouch for correctness of their reports now in your hands.

The Council desire to express their appreciation of the faithful and earnest work of our retiring Commander, also to thank his efficient Assistant Adjutant-General for the courteous treatment and ready assistance received from him during our term of office.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

HORACE A. SAWYER,
SAMUEL WORCESTER,
GEO. L. GOODALE,
SAMUEL M. WEALE,
FRANK P. SIMONDS,

Council of Administration.

On motion of Comrade D. R. Pierce of Post 15, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider the Commander's address and reports of officers, said committee to report at Thursday's session, and the following committee was appointed: —

D. R. Pierce of Post 15; Past Department Commander Geo. H. Patch of Post 63; D. A. Walker of Post 5; Wm. Parks of Post 30; J. L. Knight of Post 16.

Comrade Geo. H. Innis of Post 2 submitted the following motion: —

That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to prepare a list of candidates to be voted for as Council of Administration, and the following comrades were appointed: —

Geo. H. Innis of Post 2; Jas. W. Thayer of Post 35; Frank B. Peabody of Post 185; James W. Joyce of Post 89; W. D. Blanchard of Post 53.

On motion of Comrade Samuel Worcester of Post 34, it was voted that a committee of eleven be appointed by the Chair to prepare a list of candidates to be voted for as delegates and alternates to the National Encampment, and the following comrades were appointed: —

Samuel Worcester of Post 34; C. H. Rust of Post 16; J. B. Lamb of Post 10; C. B. Fox of Post 68; Thos. Langlan of Post 15; Dennis Meehan of Post 7; J. Everett Pierce of Post 66; Isaac C. Day of Post 101; George G. Bailey of Post 121; Albert Loring of Post 71; W. W. Tuttle of Post 120.

Past Department Commander Patch offered the following preamble and resolutions: —

WHEREAS, The comrades of the Department of Massachusetts received with emotion of profound grief the sad intelligence of the death of Past Commander-in-Chief Gen. John A. Logan. Therefore

Resolved, That in this sudden calamity the Department mourns the loss of an inestimable comrade, possessed of qualities rarely united in one man. In his devotion to principle he was unmoved by attack and insensible to fear. Against the weakness that power and position sometimes bring to men of high official station, he stood like a wall of steel. In every public duty he bore the stamp of one confident as to his own position, and considerate to the rights of his fellow men. His vigor of intellect, supereminent patriotism, and irrepressible devotion to his country gave to the nation at large a permanent interest in his welfare and well being.

Resolved, That the great heart of the Grand Army of the Republic of Massachusetts beats in sympathy with the widow of him who was a leader among men, a servant of his friends and comrades, and loyal and devoted to every interest of this organization, whose future he made lasting and secure.

Resolved, That on the list of brave and true men, both rank and file and leaders of our loved organization, who in the past have given it undying lustre, the Grand Army of the Republic has no more honored comrade.

It was moved and adopted that the resolutions be suitably engrossed and framed, and forwarded to Mrs. Logan.

At this point, on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted that when the Encampment adjourns it be to meet at 9.30 A.M. tomorrow at Tremont Temple.

Comrade Samuel M. Weale of Post 23 offered the following resolutions: —

SERVICE PENSIONS.

WHEREAS, The services and sacrifices of the veteran soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war for the preservation of the Union, have secured upon a firm and lasting foundation our existence as a nation, the perpetuity of our free institutions, and the blessings of peace and unexampled pros-

perity, which are the acknowledged fruits of their heroic sacrifices and patriotic devotion; and

WHEREAS, The surviving veteran soldiers, sailors and marines who so largely contributed to this grand result may justly claim a partial fulfilment of the pledges so freely made when their services were needed, and for the consummation of which they have waited until all other creditors of the nation have been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, The surviving veterans of the War of the Rebellion have now passed the meridian of life, and many of their numbers have reached the period of old age, while all are prematurely old by reason of their service or the poverty and want to which they have since been subjected.

Resolved, That we as delegates and representatives of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in Convention assembled, indorse and respectfully recommend to the favorable consideration of Congress for the relief of the veteran soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the military or naval forces of the United States, during the War of the Rebellion, the following bill, viz. : —

“ Be it enacted that all soldiers, sailors, or marines who served in the army and navy of the United States for the period of three months or more, at any time between the fourteenth day of April, 1861, and April 19, 1865, and were honorably discharged therefrom, shall, in consideration of such service, receive from the government of the said United States a pension of eight dollars per month for the remainder of their lives, and this act shall take effect upon its passage ”

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the minimum amount of any pension for disability should not be less than twelve dollars per month; and that upon the decease of such pensioner, if married, the same should be continued to his widow, so long as she remains unmarried.

Comrade John H. O'Donnell of Post 2 offered the following motion which was carried : That the above resolutions be referred to Committee on Resolutions, to report at 10.30 o'clock tomorrow, and also that they be printed and distributed to members of the Convention.

On motion of Medical Director C. D. Hendrickson, a committee of five was appointed by the Chair on resolutions, viz. : —

Medical Director C. D. Hendrickson of Post 17; Edward F. Rollins of Post 15; J. E. Hunt of Post 26; J. B. Brewster of Post 76; W. H. Gurney of Post 78.

It was voted, on motion of Past Department Commander Billings of Post 186, that the Committee on Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment report a printed list of same at 11.30 o'clock tomorrow; and on motion of Past Department Commander Adams of Post 5, that the Committee on Candidates

for Council of Administration report at the same time and in the same manner.

Comrade George E. Harrington of Post 23 offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Encampment, representing nearly 20,000 veterans, citizens of Massachusetts, that a pension of \$12 per month be granted by this government to all disabled veterans of the late Rebellion, whether the disability was incurred during the war, or since that time, providing such disability is not incurred by immoral conduct. Also, that all widows of veterans be entitled to a pension of \$12 per month. And that the Department Commander be instructed to notify the senators and members of Congress from this State that the Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R. respectfully but earnestly solicit their aid and co-operation in behalf of the above measures, and that the National Pension Committee be requested to provide for said measures in their pension recommendations now before Congress.

On motion of Comrade John H. O'Donnell of Post 2, it was voted, that all resolutions be referred to the committee on same, without debate.

Comrade Charles H. Baker of Post 5 offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this Convention indorse the action of the National Pension Committee, and that our delegates to the next National Convention lend their earnest support to them in their future efforts

On motion of Past Department Commander Creasey of Post 49, it was unanimously adopted by a rising vote that the following telegram be sent by the Department, viz.:—

Gen. HORACE BINNEY SARGENT,

Past Department Commander, Los Angeles, Cal.:

“For what he was and what he has been to us, we remember him to-day.”

(Signed) A. C. MONROE, A. A. G.,
For the Convention.

On motion of Past Commander-in-Chief Merrill, the Encampment adjourned at 9.30 P.M.

SECOND SESSION.

The Encampment was called to order at 9.30 A.M., by Department Commander Richard F. Tobin, who called on acting Department Chaplain E. A. Horton to invoke the divine blessing.

Communications and resolutions from comrades and Posts

being in order, Comrade Seth L. French of Post 13 offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that a law should be enacted by this Commonwealth prohibiting all persons wearing the Grand Army badge who are not entitled to that privilege.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Tristram Griffin of Post 40 offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Department, in Convention assembled, that Post Commanders as delegates to the Department Encampment represent the Posts to which they belong; that they are subject to the same lawful orders and to the same discipline of their Posts, in case they neglect or refuse to obey their lawful orders, as any regularly elected delegate.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

On motion of Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68, it was voted that a committee be appointed to appear before a committee of the Legislature and urged the completion of the navy record, and the following were appointed by the Chair : —

Charles B. Fox of Post 68; P. H. Kendrick of Post 113; G. A. Churchill of Post 68; Richard F. Tobin of Post 2; Thomas Keefe of Post 35.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68 offered the following motion : —

I move that this Encampment appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars for the support of the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau of this Department for the ensuing year and that the said sum of three thousand dollars shall be paid to the Bureau in such sums and at such times as their necessities shall require upon the requisition of the Bureau.

On motion of Comrade J. A. Keefe, the above motion was laid on the table until after the report of Committee on Commander's Address. At this point Commander-in-Chief Lucius Fairchild was announced at the outpost. Commander Tobin appointed Past Commander-in-Chief Geo. S. Merrill as a committee to escort him to the platform.

The Commander-in-Chief was accompanied by the following members of his Staff: Comrades Henry E. Tainter, Judge Advocate-General; S. B. Jones, Aide-de-Camp, Omaha, Neb.; Ed.

T. Chapman of Post 1, New Bedford; Allen G. Shepherd of Post 5, Lynn; Dennis Linnehan of Post 15, Boston; E. F. Cross of Post 16, Springfield; Wm. S. Hixson of Post 35, Chelsea; Geo. H. Prescott of Post 41, Westfield; Charles H. Ross of Post 2, South Boston; George A. J. Colgan of Post 7, Boston; Justin B. Willard of Post 10, Worcester; A. L. Norris of Post 30, Cambridgeport.

Commander Tobin introduced the Commander-in-Chief to the Encampment, who happily responded.

Comrade Wm. H. Poole of Post 11 offered the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that comrades who by virtue of the vote of this Department have at any time become permanent members of the National Encampment, or as delegates have been elected to seats therein for a definite period, are alike the representatives of this Department, and as its agents are responsible for the faithful discharge of any duty intrusted to them by this Encampment.

Resolved, That we as representatives of the Posts of this Department condemn the erroneous views which have obtained on this subject, that representatives and delegates elected by the votes of its members and charged with its instructions may violate the same with impunity

Resolved, That this Convention regards with indignation and alarm the flagrant disregard of its strongly expressed sentiments at the recent Convention in San Francisco, and the wilful or mistaken action of a part of the delegation from this Department on the question of representation and the indorsement of the Eight-Dollar Service Pension Bill.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Samuel Weale of Post 23 offered the following changes in the Rules and Regulations, and moved that they be referred to the delegates to the next National Convention:—

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, G.A.R.

Article II. of Chapter IV., National Encampment. Membership. Section 1. Strike out the words “and Past Vice-Commanders-in-Chief” in the fourth line of first paragraph and insert the word “and” before the words “Past Commander-in-Chief” in third line. The section will then read:—

SECTION 1. The National Encampment shall be composed: *First*. Of the Commander-in-Chief and Past Commander-in-Chief so long as they remain in good standing in their respective Posts, and the other officers named in Article IV., Section 2 of this chapter.

Strike out the words "Vice-Commanders," in the first line of second paragraph, and all after the word "Department" in the fourth line to end of paragraph, which will then read:—

Second. Of the Commanders and Assistant Adjutant-Generals of the several Departments, and the Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General of each provisional Department.

Strike out paragraph third and substitute paragraph fourth with the following alterations. Strike out the words "one thousand," wherever occurring in said paragraph, and substitute therefor the words "five hundred." Strike out five hundred in the seventh line, and insert the words "half that number," and the paragraph will read:—

Third. Of one representative at large from each Department, and one representative for each five hundred members in good standing therein; and one additional representative for a final fraction of more than half that number; such representatives to be elected by the Department Encampment as provided in Chapter III., Article IX. Any Department having less than five hundred members, and more than half that number, shall be entitled to one representative in addition to one representative at large.

On motion of Comrade Chas. A. Stott of Post 42, it was voted to divide the resolutions on two points: first, that relating to Past Department Commanders; and second, the basis of representation. On the proposition relating to Past Department Commanders having a voice in the National Convention, a discussion ensued, Comrades Chas. B. Fox and H. G. O. Weymouth in favor, and Comrades Stott, Creasey and Billings against.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 offered the following preamble to above amendments, which was accepted:—

Whereas, It is evident that the time is near at hand, if it is not already arrived, when the increase in the number of life membership of the National Encampment threatens to deprive that body of its representative character, the following amendments are proposed:—

On motion of Comrade E. W. Thompson of Post 185, the whole matter was laid on the table until after the report of the Committee on the Commander's Address.

Comrade C. D. Hendrickson of Post 17, Chairman of Committee on Resolutions, reported as follows:—

On the resolution of Comrade Harrington of Post 23, your committee recommend that it be rejected.

After discussion by Comrades Fox, Adams and Merrill in favor, and Comrade Hendrickson for the committee against, the resolution was adopted.

On the resolution offered by Comrade Chas. H. Baker of Post 5, the committee recommend that it be rejected.

On motion, it was laid on the table.

On the resolution offered by Comrade Samuel Weale in regard to the Eight-Dollar Service Pension Bill, the committee recommend that it be adopted.

Recommendation of the committee adopted by a rising vote, three hundred and one in favor, one hundred and sixty-nine against.

On the resolution offered by Post 13, relating to unauthorized persons wearing the G.A.R. badge, the committee would report it be adopted.

Adopted.

On the resolution of Post 40 by Comrade T. Griffin relating to Post Commanders being instructed by their Posts at the Department Convention, your committee would recommend it be rejected.

Rejected.

On the resolutions of Comrade Wm. H. Poole of Post 11, your committee report the rejection of the first resolution.

Rejected.

On the second resolution your committee recommend that it be rejected.

Rejected.

On the third resolution your committee would recommend its adoption.

Adopted.

At this point the Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials as follows:—

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| Number entitled to seats in this Encampment | 618 |
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| Number present | 542 |
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Divided as follows:—

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| Department Officers | 12 |
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| Past Department Commanders | 7 |
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| Post Commanders | 156 |
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| Delegates | 367 |
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| Total | 542 |
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Comrade D. R. Pierce, chairman of Committee on Commander's Address and Reports of Department Officers, made the following report: —

First. The proposition that the delegates to the National Convention vote and work for the Eight-Dollar Service Pension Bill, your committee deemed inadvisable to consider, as the resolutions of Comrade Weale covering the same matter had been reported on by the Committee on Resolutions.

Adopted.

Second. That the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated to pay the actual travelling expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty, or the Senior or Junior Vice-Commander, when acting in his stead; that when either of these officers are absent from home upon official duty, as above specified, and necessarily incur hotel expense, such expense shall be paid by the Department, provided that the total expenditure covered by this recommendation shall not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, and also provided that all bills embraced in this recommendation shall be subject to the approval of the Council of Administration.

Adopted.

Third. That the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department.

Adopted.

Fourth. That the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated for extra clerk hire, to assist the Assistant Adjutant-General in the clerical work of his office.

Adopted.

Fifth. That the *per capita* tax be restored to thirty-two cents in place of twenty-four cents as at present.

After discussion by Comrades Pierce, Patch and Adams the recommendation was adopted.

Sixth. That this Encampment petition the General Court for the passage of the so-called Soldiers' Exemption Bill, and that Posts in the Department be requested to urge the senators and representatives of their respective districts to aid in the passage of the bill.

(Comrade J. L. Knight dissents.)

Majority report of the committee adopted.

Seventh. That this Encampment instruct its representatives to the National Encampment to secure, if possible, an amendment to the Rules and Regulations which will unseat Past Department Commanders in the National Encampments unless they are regularly elected representatives.

(Comrades Geo. H. Patch and J. L. Knight dissent.)

On motion, Comrade Samuel Weale's amendments in relation to this subject were taken from the table and reread, discussion followed, Comrades J. P. Maxfield and Past Department Commander Evans against, and Comrade Weale in favor. The previous question being ordered, the recommendation as above and the amendment relating to the same introduced by Comrade Fox, were defeated.

On the amendment of Comrade Weale relating to the representation of the Department at the National Convention that one in five hundred be substituted for one in one thousand, the Convention so instructed its delegates to the National Encampment.

Report of Committee on Commander's Address resumed.

Eighth. That the committee cordially indorse the suggestion of the Department Inspector relating to the prescribed form for inspection, and recommend that the incoming Council of Administration consider the same, with a view to asking the representatives to the next National Encampment to try to secure a revision of the present form.

Recommendation of the committee adopted.

On a question of privilege, Comrade Samuel Worcester of Post 34 introduced the following resolutions: —

WHEREAS, An organization known as the Massachusetts Service Pension Association, a body not responsible to the Grand Army, and having no necessary connection therewith, has for two successive years attempted to control the action of this Convention on several matters of the highest importance, and has gone so far as to dictate its nominations;

WHEREAS, Only a minority of the members of said Association are delegates in this body and amenable to its discipline, but it has included men who were not in good standing in their respective Posts, and others who, for various reasons, are said not to find a prolonged stay in Massachusetts desirable or conducive to health, and since such Association assumes, by the vote of a majority of its members, who are not delegates in this body, to control the votes of those who are at once members of the organization and of this Convention, thus grossly usurping the power

belonging to the Posts, in whom alone such power rests; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Department, in Convention assembled, hereby denounces such action as a gross impertinence and an unwarranted invasion of its rights and privileges, a course which, if persisted in, is calculated to destroy the freedom and usefulness of the Grand Army in this State, and that those delegates and officers who may continue to co-operate with the members of said Association, or any similar one, should understand that such conduct is subversive of good order and discipline, and worthy of censure, as being a violation of the rights and privileges of the Posts of this Department and of the Department itself. Be it further

Resolved, That the spectacle of an elected officer of this Department acting as president at a meeting of soldiers and comrades when the official acts of his chief, the Department Commander, were denounced without reproof by him is, in the opinion of this Department, a breach of discipline and of the privileges of the Convention, and should not be repeated. Be it further

Resolved, That this Convention is fully competent to transact its business and elect its officers without assistance from any other organization whatever.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions, who, through Chairman C. D. Hendrickson, reported immediately that the resolutions be rejected.

Comrade C. A. Stott of Post 42 moved their indefinite postponement, which was carried.

Comrade Charles B. Fox of Post 68 offered the following resolution, which was adopted:—

Resolved, That this Convention emphatically condemns the action of members of the Grand Army of the Republic who, as members of other organizations, attempt by nominations for the officers of this Convention to control the action of the Department Convention.

A motion was made to indefinitely postpone its consideration, which was defeated by a vote of 178 yeas to 271 nays, and the resolution was adopted by a heavy *viva voce* vote.

On motion of Comrade Charles H. Tracy of Post 103 it was voted to proceed to the election of officers.

Comrade Geo. H. Innis of Post 2, as chairman of committee to prepare a list of candidates to be voted for as Council of Administration, reported as follows:—

George L. Goodale of Post 66; W. A. Prescott of Post 35; Malcolm Sillars of Post 90; Arthur A. Smith of Post 20; Edwin P. Jewett of Post 91.

Comrade Samuel Worcester of Post 34, as chairman of Committee to Select Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment, reported as follows:—

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

George H. Innis Post 2, South Boston

DELEGATES.

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| Thomas J. Tute | Post 7, Boston |
| Edward F. Rollins | " 15, Boston |
| N. E. Ladd | " 101, Groveland |
| Isaac M. Holt | " 88, Quincy |
| Theodore Leutz | " 21, Boston |
| E. W. Lathrop | " 16, Springfield |
| John S. Beck | " 66, Medford |
| Charles H. Tracy | " 103, Chicopee |
| George E. Pinkham | " 185, Lowell |
| William H. Abbott | " 71, Watertown |
| Horace A. Sawyer | " 5, Lynn |
| A. M. Dudley | " 34, Salem |
| J. B. Brewster | " 76, Plymouth |
| G. F. Thompson | " 10, Worcester |
| Alva J. Wilson | " 92, Brighton |
| George G. Bailey | " 121, Hyde Park |
| Peter D. Smith | " 99, Andover |
| E. B. Macy | " 19, Fitchburg |
| W. H. Chamberlin | " 125, Pittsfield |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

George D. Stiles Post 5, Lynn

ALTERNATES.

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| C. D. Stiles | Post 68, Dorchester |
| Joseph Gregory | " 82, Marblehead |
| John E. Killian | " 26, Roxbury |
| Benjamin S. Lovell | " 58, Weymouth |
| William H. Poole | " 11, Charlestown |
| Frank E. Martell | " 30, Cambridgeport |
| W. A. Stinson | " 39, Lawrence |
| J. B. Parsons | " 86, Northampton |
| Warren O. Hawley | " 178, Otis |

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| Henry B. Wallace | Post 89, Beverly |
| William H. Wade | " 133, Plainville |
| Thos. H. Hill | " 33, Woburn |
| Fred G. Hyde | " 27, Oxford |
| Emerson Stone | " 37, Spencer |
| S. L. Colley | " 75, Stoneham |
| H. N. Harriman | " 108, Georgetown |
| Fred S. Tabor | " 1, New Bedford |
| William McAlphine | " 39, Lawrence |
| William H. Gage | " 87, South Braintree |

On motion of Comrade J. F. Davlin of Post 139 a committee of five was appointed to collect, sort and count ballots as follows:—

J. F. Davlin of Post 139; William Voit of Post 57; Seth L. French of Post 13; William H. Gurney of Post 78; W. A. Boyden of Post 10.

Comrade William H. Hart of Post 35 presented the name of Senior Vice-Commander Charles D. Nash of Post 78 for Department Commander.

On motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, the Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade Charles D. Nash of Post 78, for Department Commander for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed, and Comrade Nash was declared elected.

Commander Tobin introduced Commander-elect Charles D. Nash, who responded, thanking the comrades for the compliment of a unanimous election, and stating to the Encampment that he should reappoint the present Assistant Adjutant-General, Comrade A. C. Monroe.

The following-named comrades were placed in nomination for Senior Vice-Commander:—

J. W. Lee of Post 12 presented the name of Comrade A. S. Atherton of Post 12.

Chas. D. Stiles of Post 68 presented the name of Junior Vice-Commander E. C. Whitney of Post 68.

William H. Hart of Post 35 presented the name of Samuel Weale of Post 23.

While the committee were counting ballots for Senior Vice-Commander, on motion of Comrade J. H. O'Donnell, a committee

of five was appointed to collect, sort and count ballots for Junior Vice-Commander, as follows: —

Charles Raymond of Post 11; S. G. Jepson of Post 66; Thomas F. Ellsworth of Post 128; Geo. E. Harrington of Post 23; Robert B. Dickie of Post 125.

Comrade J. F. Davlin of Post 139 reported as follows, for Committee on Vote for Senior Vice-Commander: —

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| Whole number of votes | 490 |
| Necessary for choice | 246 |
| A. S. Atherton had | 156 |
| Samuel M. Weale had | 169 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 165 |

There being no choice, the Encampment proceeded to a second ballot.

During the counting of second ballot, Comrade William H. Poole of Post 11 presented the name of Comrade Thomas H. Haskell of Post 11 as candidate for Junior Vice-Commander.

Comrade C. B. Scudder of Post 125 presented the name of Comrade James Kittle of Post 125, as candidate for Junior Vice-Commander.

The Encampment then voted for Junior Vice-Commander. During the counting of ballots for Junior Vice-Commander, Comrade Davlin reported the result of the second ballot for Senior Vice-Commander as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 477 |
| Necessary for choice | 239 |
| Scattering | 3 |
| A. S. Atherton had | 138 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 146 |
| Samuel M. Weale had | 190 |

There being no choice, the Encampment proceeded to a third ballot.

On motion of Comrade William Provin of Post 41, a committee was appointed to collect, sort and count votes for members of the Council of Administration as follows: —

William Provin of Post 41; Robert M. Spinney of Post 66; J. W. Thayer of Post 35; George F. Maynard of Post 58; H. C. Williams of Post 91.

Comrade Charles Raymond of Post 11, for Committee on Vote for Junior Vice-Commander, reported as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 478 |
| Necessary for choice | 240 |
| A. S. Atherton had | 2 |
| Thomas H. Haskell had | 107 |
| James Kittle had | 369 |

And Comrade James Kittle was declared elected Junior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Davlin reported the result of the third ballot for Senior Vice-Commander as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 416 |
| Necessary for choice | 209 |
| Scattering | 6 |
| Samuel M. Weale had | 197 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 213 |

And Comrade Edmund C. Whitney was declared elected Senior Vice-Commander for the ensuing year.

Past Department Commander Adams of Post 5 presented the name of Comrade E. A. Horton of Post 113, and moved that the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to cast a ballot bearing the name of Comrade E. A. Horton as Chaplain for the ensuing year. The ballot was cast as directed, and Comrade Horton was declared elected Chaplain.

Comrade George H. Norcross of Post 40 presented the name of Comrade Walter B. Whiting of Post 40, as a candidate for Medical Director.

Past Department Commander Billings of Post 186 presented the name of Comrade J. B. Cherry of Post 7, for the same office.

Medical Director C. D. Hendrickson was also renominated.

The committee having charge of the ballot for Junior Vice-Commander were requested to act for Medical Director.

Comrade S. G. Jepson reported for the committee the following result: —

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| Whole number of votes | 379 |
| Necessary for choice | 189 |
| Walter B. Whiting had | 72 |
| C. D. Hendrickson had | 131 |
| J. B. Cherry had | 176 |

There being no choice the Encampment proceeded to a second ballot.

On motion of J. P. Bradley of Post 2, a committee was appointed to collect, sort and count votes for delegates and alternates to the National Encampment as follows : —

J. P. Bradley of Post 2 ; James E. Reid of Post 15 ; A. S. Wright of Post 5 ; Eben Luther of Post 16 ; John Monroe of Post 108.

On motion of Comrade John Welch of Post 42 it was voted that whatever printed list of delegates are elected, the alternates on such list shall also be declared elected.

Comrade Jepson reported the result of the second ballot for Medical Director : —

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| Whole number of votes | 321 |
| Necessary for choice | 162 |
| W. B. Whiting had | 19 |
| C. D. Hendrickson had | 101 |
| J. B. Cherry had | 201 |

And Comrade J. B. Cherry of Post 7 was declared elected Medical Director for the ensuing year.

While the vote for delegates was being counted, Assistant Adjutant-General A. C. Monroe read the following communication from the Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps :—

BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1887.

COMMANDER TOBIN, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC :—

A unanimous vote was passed by our Convention this morning, that the thanks of the Order be extended you for the many courtesies received the past year.

With the best wishes for the continued prosperity of the Grand Army of the Republic and the assurance of our fraternal regards,

We are yours in F., C. and L.,

MARY E. ELLIOT,
Department Secretary.

Per order

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT AND DELEGATES

Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans read the following communication from the same source : —

BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1887.

COMRADE GEO. S. EVANS,

Secretary Board of Trustees Soldiers' Home :—

The Department Convention voted this forenoon that a fund be established to assist the trustees when the hospital accommodations are not sufficient for the veterans who through illness need immediate assistance.

We also voted to assume the expense of providing a comfortable home for the soldiers, referred to by you last evening. I am instructed to write every Corps asking for contributions.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

MARY E. ELLIOT,

Department Secretary.

On motion of Past Department Commander Evans, a vote of thanks from this Department was extended to the Woman's Relief Corps of Massachusetts for the above communications, and for the many courtesies received at their hands.

On motion of Past Department Commander John W. Hersey of Post 16, it was voted that the thanks of this Department be extended to the Department officers of the past year for their courtesy and efficiency, and the zeal and enthusiasm they manifested in their work.

On motion of Comrade David R. Pierce of Post 15, the resolution of Comrade Fox relating to an appropriation for the Veterans' Rights Association was taken from the table and adopted.

Comrade William Provin of Post 41, for the committee on the result of the ballot for members of the Council of Administration, reported as follows : —

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| Whole number of votes | 370 |
| Necessary for choice | 186 |
| Homer Rogers had | 1 |
| C. H. Baker had | 3 |
| J. R. McCrillis had | 2 |
| Geo. Perkins had | 71 |
| John Welch had | 75 |
| Wilbur F. Lane had | 73 |
| Darius Hadley had | 71 |

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| Edwin P. Jewett had | 237 |
| Arthur A. Smith had | 237 |
| Malcolm Sillars had | 237 |
| Geo. L. Goodale had | 239 |
| W. A. Prescott had | 295 |

And Comrades George L. Goodale of Post 66, W. A. Prescott of Post 35, Malcolm Sillars of Post 90, Arthur A. Smith of Post 20, and Edwin P. Jewett of Post 91 were declared elected as the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Comrade J. P. Bradley reported for committee the result of the ballot for delegates and alternates to the National Encampment as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 330 |
| Necessary for choice | 166 |

FIRST TICKET.

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

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| George H. Innis of Post 2, South Boston . . | 229 |
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DELEGATES.

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| Thomas J. Tute of Post 7, Boston . . . | 241 |
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| N. E. Ladd of Post 101, Groveland . . . | 241 |
| Isaac M. Holt of Post 88, Quincy . . . | 241 |
| Theodore Leutz of Post 21, Boston . . . | 240 |
| E. W. Lathrop of Post 16, Springfield . . | 241 |
| John S. Beck of Post 66, Medford . . . | 241 |
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| Alva J. Wilson of Post 92, Brighton . . | 241 |
| George G. Bailey of Post 121, Hyde Park . | 241 |
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DELEGATES.

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 Charles E. Hapgood of Post 143, Brookline 89
 Tristram Griffin of Post 40, Malden . . . 89
 George D. Stiles of Post 5, Lynn . . . 89
 Nathaniel Shatswell of Post 128, Ipswich . 89
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 Cyrus S. Haldeman of Post 113, Boston . 89

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

George D. Stiles of Post 5, Lynn.

ALTERNATES.

C. D. Stiles of Post 68, Dorchester.
 Joseph Gregory of Post 82, Marblehead.
 John E. Killian of Post 26, Roxbury.
 Benjamin S. Lovell of Post 58, Weymouth.
 William H. Poole of Post 11, Charlestown.
 Frank E. Martell of Post 30, Cambridgeport.
 W. A. Stinson of Post 120, Lowell.
 J. B. Parsons of Post 86, Northampton.
 Warren O. Hawley of Post 178, Otis.
 Henry B. Wallace of Post 89, Beverley.
 William H. Wade of Post 133, Plainville.
 Thomas H. Hill of Post 33, Woburn.
 Fred G. Hyde of Post 27, Oxford.
 Emerson Stone of Post 37, Spencer.

S. L. Colley of Post 75, Stoneham.

H. N. Harriman of Post 108, Georgetown.

Fred S. Tabor of Post 1, New Bedford.

William T. McAlphine of Post 39, Lawrence.

William H. Gage of Post 87, South Braintree.

And the first twenty names on the above list were declared elected delegates, and the above named alternates also.

On motion of Past Department Commander Patch of Post 63 the thanks of the Department were unanimously voted to the officers and guard on duty at this Encampment from Post 159, East Boston.

On motion of Past Department Commander Creasey it was voted that at the next Annual Convention the preliminary business, reports of officers, resolutions and communications from Posts shall be presented on the opening evening.

On motion of Past Department Commander Adams it was voted that the Council of Administration consider the expediency of having the next Annual Convention convene at 2 o'clock P.M., on the first day, and the banquet in the evening of that day.

On motion of Past Department Commander Patch it was voted that the Council of Administration consider the expediency of changing the time for the next Annual Convention from the last of January to some time in February.

On motion of Past Department Commander Evans it was voted that the Council of Administration consider the expediency of hiring a larger hall for the banquet.

Past Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill was requested to install the officers and accepted, and the following comrades were installed into office for the ensuing year:—

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| Department Commander | Charles D. Nash |
| Senior Vice-Commander | E. C. Whitney |
| Medical Director | J. B. Cherry |
| Chaplain | E. A. Horton |
| Council of Administration | { Malcolm Sillars Edwin P. Jewett |

There being no further business, the Twenty-first Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R., was declared dissolved.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

In Memoriam

- POST 2. Geo. H. Colby, age 53; private, Co. D, 44th Mass.
 POST 2. C. B. Huston, age 54; private, Co. I, 1st Mass.
 POST 5. Alden Burrill, age 75; private, 2d Sharpshooters.
 POST 5. Geo. E. Brown, age 43; private, Co. A, 1st N.H. Batty.
 POST 5. Geo. L. Breed, age 41; private, 11th Unattached Mass. Vols.
 POST 5. Orlando Richardson, age 43; private, Co. B, 1st Maine Cav.
 POST 5. B. M. Alley, age 58; private, Co. G, 2d Mass.
 POST 5. J. G. Dervain, age 42; captain, Co. K, 18th Tenn. Cav.
 POST 5. Owen Thornton, age 38; private, Co. A, 1st Mass. Cav.
 POST 5. John S. Emerson, age 53; surgeon, 18th N.H.
 POST 5. Orrin Hicks, age 47; private, Co. L, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. Edward Rowe, age 56; private, Co. G, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 9. John Gibbons, age 49; private, Unattached H.A.
 POST 10. Stillman S. Cushing, age 57; private, Co. A, 11th Mass.
 POST 10. Louis Lebountay, age 45; private, Co. H, 3d N.Y. Light Art.
 POST 10. Augustus E. Carr, age 54; 1st sergeant, 12th Vet. R.C. and 140th N Y. Inf.
 POST 10. Walter E. Stratton, age 40; private, Co. A, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 10. George Ittel, age 49; private, Co. C, 6th Conn.
 POST 10. George E. Merrill, age 51; private, Co. B, Maine Art.
 POST 10. Geo. C. Wheeler, private, 29th Mass. Inf.
 POST 10. E. T. Rawson, sergeant, Co. D, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 10. Jas. G. Garrity, age 49; private, 3d R.I. H.A.
 POST 11. Thos. J. Carey, age 45; private, Co. A, 5th Mass.
 POST 11. Jos. M. Hobbs, age 41; 1st lieutenant, Co. A, 24th Mass.
 POST 11. Oscar B. Bussey, age 43; private, 1st Mass. Batty.
 POST 11. Wm. L. Bond, age 58; assistant surgeon, 53d Mass.
 POST 12. John Wiley, 2d, aged 73; captain, Co. E, 16th Mass.
 POST 12. N. Gammons, age 59; private, Co. K, 33d Mass.
 POST 12. H. E. Stone, age 40; private, Co. G, 13th Mass.
 POST 12. Chas. J. Burdett, age 39; private, Co. I, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 12. Thos. A. Parker, age 54; private, Co. G, 13th Mass. Vols.
 POST 13. Chas. H. Thompson, age 49; private, Co. C, 18th Mass.
 POST 13. E. J. Stevens, age 63; private, Co. C, 60th Mass.
 POST 15. Jas. W. Spinney, age 53; private, Co. K, 44th Mass.
 POST 15. Hezekiah Richardson, age 42; private, Co. E, 14th Conn.
 POST 15. James G. Bovey, age 42; private, Co. G, 1st Mass.
 POST 15. Ezra Bartlett, age 54; ensign, U.S. Navy, ship *Kearsarge*.
 POST 15. W. J. Butterfield, age 43; corporal, 1st Md. Batty.
 POST 19. Jas. D. Fairbanks, age 55; private, Co. B, 26th Mass.
 POST 19. Dexter Henshaw, age 74; private, Co. F, 25th Mass.
 POST 19. Nicholas J. Beckley, age 42; private, Co. C, 3d U.S. Art.
 POST 22. Alfred W. Wolcott, age 53; 1st lieutenant, Co. G, 40th N.Y.
 POST 22. Sylvester P. Krum, age 64; sergeant, Co. B, 25th Mass.
 POST 25. Orville B. Seagrave; 2d lieutenant, U.S. Navy, ship *Pawnee*, Atlantic Squadron.
 POST 30. Harrison Simpson, age 48; private, Co. E, 30th Mass.
 POST 30. Thos. Ralph, age 50; private, Co. A, 130th Ill.
 POST 30. Peter R. Davis, age 39; bugler, Co. F, 1st Mass. Cav.
 POST 34. Chas. W. Dodge, age 48; private, Co. A, 5th Mass.

- POST 34. Geo. D. Glover, age 63; sergeant, 2d Mass. Cadets.
 POST 34. Edw. A. Daniels, age 51; sergeant, Co. E, 48th Mass.
 POST 48. Alexander Falconer, age 56; private, Co. D, 1st Maine Cav.
 POST 48. Albert W. Robbins, age 47; private, Co. E, 6th Mass.
 POST 49. Daniel Brown, Jr., age 46; private, Co. A, 8th Mass.
 POST 49. Wm. Britcher, age 74; private, Co. A, 48th Mass.
 POST 49. Robt. D. Crabbie, age 42; private, Co. C, 3d Mass.
 POST 50. Tim O'Leary, age 43; seaman.
 POST 50. Wm. H. Hall, age 44; private, Co. C, 5th Mass.
 POST 50. John G. Estes, age 49; private, Co. B, 23d Mass.
 POST 50. Eben S. Daniels, age 60; private, Co. E, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 56. C. Everett Coombs, age 48; private, Co. A, 47th Mass.
 POST 56. Joseph I. Lovett, age 49; private, Co. G, 11th Mass.
 POST 57. Stephen Griffin, age 45; private, Co. B, 2d Mass. Cav.
 POST 57. John McCabe, age 47; fireman, U.S. Navy, ship *Circassian*.
 POST 57. Edward Cassidy, age 65; private, Co. B, 47th Mass.
 POST 57. Robert Rohn, age 61; corporal, Co. E, 29th Mass.
 POST 58. James A. Lovell, age 48; private, Co. G, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 61. Joseph Johnson, age 56; fireman, U.S. Navy, ship *Nephon*.
 POST 61. Henry H. Clapp, age 41; private, Co. I, 15th Mass.
 POST 66. Chas. A. Scripner; clerk, U.S. Navy, ship *Cherokee*.
 POST 68. John E. Powers, age 46; private, Co. H, 16th Mass.
 POST 68. Chas. A. Young, age 44; private, Co. H, 1st Mass.
 POST 68. Jeremiah Ryan, age 62; private, Co. D, 3d Mass.
 POST 68. Michael Curly, age 46; sergeant Co. F, 2d Del.
 POST 73. Benj. F. Leavitt; private, Co. E, 23d Mass.
 POST 79. Frank N. Foote, age 42; private, Co. A, 1st Mass. Cav.
 POST 85. E. C. Richardson, age 66; surgeon.
 POST 85. Daniel L. Osborn, age 57; private, Co. L, 4th Mass. Cav.
 POST 86. Wm. T. Butler, age 46; private, Co. C, 52d Mass.
 POST 86. Jas. R. Londugan, age 40; private, Co. H, 22d Conn.
 POST 89. Henry A. Hale, age 46; corporal, Co. E, 8th Mass.
 POST 89. James Dodge, age 62; private, Co. G, 23d Mass.
 POST 90. Chas. H. Clark, age 45; private, Co. F, 2d Mass.
 POST 90. C. H. Shepard, age 61; 2d sergeant, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 92. Edward Ring, age 53; private, Cos. B & C, 17th Mass.
 POST 102. Jos. M. Churchill, age 65; captain, Co. B, 45th Mass.
 POST 106. Joseph W. West, age 54; private, Co. A, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 113. Edwin D. White, age 44; private, Co. M, 1st R.I. Cav.
 POST 113. E. J. Trull, age 44; lieutenant, Co. A, 37th Mass.
 POST 120. T. W. W. Boardman, age 40; private, Co. K, 11th N.H.
 POST 120. Chas. H. Fuller, age 40; private, Co. A, 2d Mass.
 POST 120. John S. D'Evyln, age 42; sergeant, Co. H, 2d N.H.
 POST 120. Dan'l Gookin, age 64; sergeant, Co. B, 17th Maine.
 POST 120. Chas. W. Carlton, age 53; private, Co. H, 32d Mass.
 POST 120. John E. Ward, age 39; Marine Vols.
 POST 120. Albert Preston, age 41; private, Co. G, 16th Vt.
 POST 121. Eben E. Fowler, age 45; private, Co. I, 23d Mass.
 POST 132. Geo. H. Clark, age 65; private, Co. H, 54th Mass.
 POST 136. Albert Rogers, age 62; private, Co. C, 21st Mass.
 POST 138. Chas. A. Hanscom, age 62; private, Co. B, 32d Mass.
 POST 140. P. D. Holbrook, age 44; private, Co. D, 16th Vt.
 POST 141. Abner H. Holmes, age 61; musician, Co. C, 29th Mass.
 POST 147. Joseph C. Hastings, age 67; private, Co. G, 52d Mass.
 POST 148. Elihu L. Pratt, age 58; private, Co. I, 27th Mass.
 POST 155. Edwin A. Thrace, age 44; private, Co. B, 11th Conn.
 POST 162. Lewis J. Masters, age 43; private, Co. E, 6th Mass.
 POST 168. John Schesler, age 44; private, Co. I, 15th Mass.
 POST 177. Rufus Thayer, age 49; private, Co. B, 49th Mass.

GENERAL ORDERS.

SERIES OF 1886-7.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, } BOSTON, Feb. 3, 1886.
 • No. 1. }

I. Having been unanimously elected Commander of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Nineteenth Annual Encampment convened at Tremont Temple, Boston, January 28, I hereby assume command

II. Thanking my comrades for the honor conferred in such a complimentary manner, I earnestly ask their co-operation in a united effort to do all they can to bring into our ranks every worthy veteran of the Union Army and Navy of the late war, who now reside in the limits of this Department.

III. The following-named comrades have been appointed members of my Official Staff. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Assistant Adjutant-General, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

Assistant Quartermaster-General, John H. O'Donnell of Post 2, South Boston.

Judge Advocate, John A. Keefe of Post 15, Boston.

Department Inspector, B. Read Wales of Post 68, Dorchester.

Chief Mustering Officer, P. Allen Lindsey of Post 30, Cambridgeport.

Additional appointments will appear in future orders.

IV. All official correspondence and invitations for the Department Commander should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General

By command of RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.
 Official: A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, } BOSTON, March 10, 1886.
 No. 2. }

The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| E. W. Lathrop . . . Springfield. | E. P. Jewett . . . Foxboro. |
| A. S. Atherton . . . Wakefield. | F. H. Hills . . . Newton. |
| Thomas Langlan . . . Boston. | Thos. H. Haskell . . . Charlestown. |
| Jere Wakefield . . . Boston. | A. J. Wilson. . . Brighton. |
| Wm. J. Blake . . . South Boston. | C. H. Wakefield . . . Hingham. |

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| C. C. Haskell . . . | Greenfield. | G. Q. A. Bryant . . . | Winchendon. |
| Wm. H. Brown . . . | Marblehead. | Lawrence Gibney . . . | Blackstone. |
| James Cuthbert . . . | Fitchburg. | J. C. Madigan . . . | East Walpole. |
| T. I. Quinn . . . | East Cambridge. | M. H. Stevens . . . | Waltham. |
| Darius Hadley . . . | Everett. | J. R. Loring . . . | Shrewsbury. |
| A. R. Holmes . . . | Canton. | Chas. B. Carlin . . . | Stoneham. |
| R. S. Atherton . . . | Turners Falls. | Wm. H. Belcher . . . | Holliston. |
| R. C. Calder . . . | Manchester. | Owen B. Chaffee . . . | Oxford. |
| A. B. Pierce . . . | Natick. | J. F. Hunter . . . | Shelburne Falls. |
| C. M. Sprague . . . | Lynn. | A. E. Paine . . . | Brockton. |
| John Keach . . . | Northampton. | B. F. French . . . | East Templeton. |
| O. L. Wood . . . | Pittsfield. | A. J. Lowd . . . | Salem. |
| Wm. H. Johnson . . . | Haverhill. | Cyrus T. Batchelder . . . | Peabody. |
| Wm. P. Martin . . . | Quincy. | Rodney D. Loomis . . . | Millbury. |
| Lysander Wood . . . | Stoughton. | Russell L. Doane . . . | Athol Centre. |
| Wm. A. Prescott . . . | Chelsea. | J. H. Balcom . . . | Ashland. |
| L. M. Alden . . . | Middleboro. | C. F. Paine . . . | Groveland. |
| Thos. F. Ellsworth . . . | Ipswich. | Wm. P. Warren . . . | Woburn. |
| James W. Joyce . . . | Lawrence. | Harlow Chapin . . . | Monson. |
| Thos. W. Cook . . . | New Bedford. | Edwin Legg . . . | Brookfield. |
| J. H. Harrison . . . | Fiskdale. | E. P. Miles . . . | Hudson. |
| James K. Churchill . . . | Worcester. | J. H. Abbott . . . | Fall River. |
| P. H. O'Connell . . . | Danvers. | Benj. Phenix . . . | Boston. |
| Wm. E. Long . . . | Brookline. | W. H. Abbott . . . | Holyoke. |
| C. E. Bailey . . . | Kingston. | J. Walter Bradlee . . . | Milton. |
| H. N. Horton . . . | Lee. | Isaac Call . . . | Swampscott. |
| Major Bacon . . . | Arlington. | Chas. A. Gross . . . | Cohasset. |
| Isaiah Hutchins . . . | West Acton. | Wm. L. Hicks . . . | Roxbury. |
| H. H. Collamore . . . | No. Pembroke. | Wm. H. Evelith . . . | Cambridge. |
| Louis E. Stone . . . | Clinton. | A. P. Chamberlaine . . . | Concord. |
| H. M. McCloud . . . | Amherst. | B. F. Chamberlain . . . | Sandwich. |

II. A list of officers elected at the Annual Encampment of this Department, held at Boston, January 27 and 28, will appear in the Roster. Two Rosters will be forwarded to each Post, one to be filed with G. O., the other for the use of the Post Commander.

III. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for first quarter will be due April 1, and I trust they will be forwarded promptly. Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that they should confer not only regarding the number reported last quarter, but account for gains and losses, and give the names as called for in the Recapitulation of Muster Roll and notes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Care should be exercised that the number remaining in good standing in Form A, and the number paid for on Form B, shall agree. I would call the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports, seeing that all requirements are complied with, and after signing both reports, forward the same, together with the *per capita* tax, six cents per member in good standing, to these headquarters. Bear in mind the fact that the *per capita* tax has been reduced from eight to six cents per quarter.

IV. May 30 falling on Sunday this year, Memorial Day will be observed in this Department on Monday, the 31st. The Act making Memorial Day a legal holiday in this State provides that when it falls on Sunday, the following day is to be observed. Rules and Regulations also make the same provision.

V. Comrades are warned against J. W. Hammond, who is traveling about asking assistance and claiming to be a member of Gen. Sedgwick Post 17 of Orange. The Commander informs me that said Hammond is a dropped member and unworthy. Also a man by the name of Walker, claiming membership in George H. Ward Post 10 of Worcester. The Commander of Post 10 says he never belonged to that Post and that he is a fraud. Head him off.

VI. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: any member of Co. E or Co. F, 20th Mass. Inf. in 1861 or 1862 who knew Arthur Johnson of said Regiment; of any inmate of Libby Prison from December, 1862, to March, 1863, who knew J. H. Phalen of the gunboat *Daylight*; of any officer or enlisted men of Co. I, 22d Mass.

Inf.; the Hospital Steward of Jefferson Barracks, New Orleans, in 1863; any member of the 6th Mass Light Battery in 1864 who knew Thomas Guard of said Battery; any member of the 20th Mass. Inf. who has any knowledge of the whereabouts or evidence of death of Wm. Knott, an unsigned recruit of said regiment; of William P. Higgins, 3d Mass. H. A.; of Col. Nelson Green, 76th N.Y. Vols.; any member of Co. C, 3d Mass. Cav.; any member of Co. F, 22d Mass. Inf., who knew Jeremiah O'Sullivan of said Company in 1861; any member of Company C, 1st Mass. Inf., who knew Geo. Garran of said Company; of Henry Bruce, Hospital Steward at United States Hospital, Annapolis, Md., in 1862 and 1863; of Orderly Sergt. Wm. Henry Jacobs, Sergt. John Pennaman, and Sergt. John Prouty, all of Company G, 39th Mass., captured on the 19th day of August, 1894, and taken to Belle Island, Va.

VII. Posts in extending their invitations to the Department Commander and Staff to attend camp-fires, opening of fairs, etc., and desiring the presence of Past Department Commanders, should so state in their invitations, naming those they would like.

VIII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Fred A. Wilder and Horace A. Manley of John A. Andrew Post 15, Boston, are hereby approved, and they are dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

IX. General Orders, No. 11, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 3. }

BOSTON, April 17, 1886.

I. In accordance with General Orders, No. 12, National Headquarters, a thorough inspection of all the Posts in this Department is hereby ordered, and as the inspections are to be completed and reports forwarded by May 25, it may be necessary in some instances to call special meetings of Posts. It is hoped that Commanders of Posts will do all they can to aid the inspecting officers.

II. Comrades Wm. E. Long and John Keach having tendered their resignations as Aides on the Department Commander's Staff, the same are hereby accepted.

III. The following Aides-de-Camp are hereby detailed to act as Assistant Inspectors, and are assigned to duty by the Department Inspector to the several Posts as follows:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| E. W. Lathrop | 71, 85, 103, 183 |
| A. S. Atherton | 4, 5 |
| Thomas Langlan | 11, 23, 30 |
| Jeremiah Wakefield | 32, 149 |
| Wm. J. Blake | 21, 56, 144 |
| E. P. Jewett | 117, 133, 145, 170 |

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| Fred C. Hills | 63 |
| Thos. H. Haskell | 134, 139, 156 |
| A. J. Wilson | 62, 181 |
| C. H. Wakefield | 31, 58, 87 |
| C. C. Haskell | 93, 162, 164 |
| Wm. H. Brown | 34, 50, 159 |
| James Cuthbert | 53, 59, 153 |
| T. I. Quinn | 66, 148 |
| Darius Hadley | 75, 82, 92 |
| A. R. Holmes | 72, 157, 169 |
| R. L. Atherton | 147, 150, 171 |
| R. C. Calder | 106, 152 |
| A. B. Pierce | 18, 142, 163 |
| C. M. Sprague | 35, 118 |
| O. L. Wood | 126, 158, 177 |
| Wm. H. Johnson | 39, 99, 114 |
| Wm. P. Martin | 15, 73, 78 |
| Lysander Wood | 13, 52, 94 |
| Wm. A. Prescott | 12, 36, 40 |
| L. M. Alden | 1, 132 |
| T. F. Ellsworth | 45, 49, 122 |
| James W. Joyce | 100, 101 |
| Thos. W. Cook | 46, 146, 182 |
| J. H. Harrison | 38, 65, 70 |
| Jas K. Churchill | 77, 80, 135, 167 |
| P. H. O'Connell | 67, 128 |
| C. E. Bailey | 76, 127, 165 |
| H. N. Horton | 125, 178 |
| Major Bacon | 7, 161 |
| Isaiah Hutchins | 48, 64, 180 |
| H. H. Collamore | 83, 98, 156 |
| Louis E. Stone | 19, 174 |
| H. M. McCloud | 86, 97, 165 |
| G. Q. A. Bryant | 109, 116, 123 |
| Laurence Gibney | 25, 27 |
| J. C. Madigan | 60, 91, 130 |
| M. H. Stevens | 119, 138 |
| J. R. Loring | 28, 96, 136 |
| Chas B. Carlin | 33, 42 |
| Wm. H. Belcher | 14, 22, 129 |
| Owen B. Chaffee | 61, 168, 173 |
| J. F. Hunter | 20, 79, 174 |
| A. E. Paine | 74, 124 |
| B. F. French | 140, 179 |
| A. J. Lowd | 47, 90 |
| Cyrus T. Batchelder | 89, 120 |
| Rodney D. Loomis | 10, 24, 105, 137 |
| R. L. Doane | 17, 69 |
| J. H. Balcom | 6, 9, 43 |
| C. F. Paine | 108, 151 |
| Wm. P. Warren | 81, 102 |
| Harlow Chapin | 16, 51, 107 |
| Edwin Legg | 37, 131, 160 |
| E. P. Miles | 154, 172 |
| J. H. Abbott | 3, 8 |
| Benj. Phenix | 57 |
| Wm. H. Abbott | 41, 84, 155, 176 |
| J. Walter Bradlee | 88, 110, 121 |
| Isaac Call | 95 |

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| Chas. A. Gross | 104, 111, 112 |
| Wm. L. Hicks | 2, 68, 143 |
| Wm. H. Evelith | 26, 29 |
| A. P. Chamberlaine | 44, 113, 115 |
| B. F. Chamberlain | 55, 141 |

IV. The address is wanted at this office of Geo. H. Coy, Edward Ford, Thos. Maloney, all of Co. C, 9th Mass. Inf.; of 2d Lieut. Jas. G. Amory and 1st Sergt. Lyman U. Lee, both of Co. M, 2d Mass. H.A.; any member of Co. E, 18th Mass. Inf., who remembers Marcus Soule of said company being shot through the lungs; of Capt. Albert G. Mack, Lieut. Frank R. Vandyke and Sergt. Robert Morgan, all of the 18th N Y. Batt.; any member of Co. F, 19th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. F, 20th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. B, 2d Mass. Cav., who remembers Luther J. Palmer of said company; any member of the crew of the *Cumberland* or *Congress*, who remembers Thomas Navin; any shipmate on board U.S. frigate *Sabine* in 1863; of 1st Sergt. Co. H, 56th Mass. Inf.

V. Comrades are warned against rendering assistance to B. O. Marvin, claiming membership in Post 140 of Athol. The Commander of Post 140 informs these headquarters that said Marvin is a dropped member and unworthy.

VI. The following new Posts have been organized since last General Orders:—

SERG. PLUNKETT POST 184, Ashburnham, M. M. Stowe, Commander.

LADD & WHITNEY POST 185, Lowell, Dr. G. E. Pinkham, Commander.

VII. General Orders, No. 15, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11.
BOSTON, May 4, 1886.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No 4. }

I. In compliance with General Orders, No. 16, from National Headquarters, Monday, May 31, will be observed in this Department as Memorial Day.

Comrades, to you is entrusted the proper conduct of the ceremonies of this day. Discharge those duties with a dignity and solemnity befitting the occasion, and worthy the patriots whose deeds they commemorate. See that garland and wreath decorate, and that the Flag of our Union floats above the grave of every soldier and sailor who died that liberty might live. Whilst not unmindful that these tokens of love will not add to their happiness; that their eyes will not behold the flag they loved so well, and for which they were willing to suffer so much; that eulogy and commendation will not cause a responsive throb in those pulseless breasts, yet let their heroism and unselfish patriotism be recalled, that your own may be exalted, that you may be led to pledge anew fealty to your country and be reminded of your sacred obligations to these fallen comrades.

It is recommended that all ex-soldiers, not members of our Order, be invited to participate. The awakened memories of the days of war,

— of the camp, the bivouac, the march, the ensanguined field, — memories of the brave men who shared those hardships and faced death with them, may quicken their hearts to a sense of duty towards the dependent ones of those comrades who have bowed to the great conqueror — death, and a desire may be born for closer union with the survivors.

The citizens, old and young, should be urged to give up their daily avocations, and unite with us in this service, to the end that the elders may be reminded of the pledges made to the soldiers in the dark days of the rebellion, when hope had almost fled, and it seemed that treason would be triumphant; that they be reminded also of the sacred obligations they owe to those who suffered and died to make secure and valuable their property, their lives and their liberties; that the young may be taught by these solemn ceremonies that the priceless heritage of freedom, won through years of suffering and bloodshed by the patriots of 1876, no less bravely defended by the patriots of 1861 to 1865, should be most zealously guarded, and that they should ever be ready to devote their services, their fortunes and their lives to its maintenance.

Every laudable effort should be made to array public opinion against the custom, which has arisen in many places, of making the day one of pleasure, devoted to excursions, games and races. Not thus can the lessons of the day be impressed upon the minds of young men, who must assume the responsibilities of citizenship. Let us labor to make it indeed a Memorial Day; that in recalling the achievements of our heroic dead, every American may draw fresh inspiration and patriotism.

I cannot too strongly urge upon Posts the duty of attending divine service in a body on Sunday preceding Memorial Day.

Post Commanders are requested to forward to these headquarters the usual reports of the observance of the day.

II. General Orders, Nos. 16 and 17, from National Headquarters, are herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

BOSTON, June 26, 1886.

I I wish to call the special attention of Post Commanders to the necessity for promptness in forwarding reports for the present quarter. The reports from the Department must be sent to National Headquarters at Washington by July 15. In order to accomplish this the reports from Posts must be at these headquarters not later than July 10. I trust that Post Commanders will attend to this matter, and see that their reports are ready and forwarded at an early date.

II. I would also call the attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports before forwarding them, as much valuable time is lost in being obliged to return reports for correction. This can be avoided by the exercise of a little care, and by following the instructions given on each blank form.

III. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Capt. Seth M. Barber, Co. H, 15th Regt. Vet Reserve Corps; of Sergt. Chas. W.

Seagar, Co. H, 56th Mass. Inf.; of Valentine R. Stone, Hospital Steward, 18th Mass. Inf.; of James F. Smith, Co. F, 7th Conn. Inf.; any member of Co. I, 11th Mass. Inf., who knew Joseph I. Lovett of said company; any member of Co. K, 57th Mass. Inf.; of 1st Lieut. Andrew J. Morse and 2d Lieut. William Carlton, both of Co. C, 2d La. Cav.; of 1st Lieut. Hollis C. Pinkham, 2d Mass. Cav.; of Corp. Bacon and Priv. N. B. Tubbs, Co. G, 5th U.S. Cav.; of John Stevens, Daniel Hurley and James McKenna, all of Co. H, 20th Mass. Inf.; any member of Co. I, 42d Mass. Inf.; of Frank Bears, C. Sullivan, Co. I, 32d Mass.; any member of Co. F, 20th Mass. Inf., of some member of Co. C, 1st Mass. Cav., who remembers Daniel W. Kimball of said company: of John M. Flynn, Co. I, 32d Mass. Inf.; of Capt. Peter J. Rooney, Co. H, 5th Mass. Cav.; of John Baker, Priv. 12th Ind. Batt., Mass. Light Inf.; some shipmate of U.S. Receiving Ship *Princeton*, also from U.S. Steamship *St. Louis*, who remembers Michael Fitzgerald; of John McCarthy of the Gunboat *Howquah*, in 1863-64; some shipmate of U.S.S. *Tristram Shantum*, in 1864, who knew John B. Nutter; of C. M. Fuller, on Gunboat *Ozark*, Mississippi Squadron, in 1864; any shipmate on board U.S.S. *Lawrence*, in August, 1863, who knew Michael Powers; any shipmate on board U.S.S. *Augusta*, who knew Roswell Nichols; any shipmate on board U.S.S. *Monadnock*, in 1864-65, who knew Edward McBride, Asst. Engineer John Basney of the U.S.S. *Massasoit*; any of the officers or crew of the U.S.S. *Mahaska* in 1865.

IV. Comrades are cautioned against giving relief to a man by the name of Charles Rasman, Co. B, 20th Mass. Regt. He claims membership in Post 2, Vermont. The officers of said Post say they have no such member, and that he is a fraud. Said Rasman is 5 ft. 7 in. in height, and gets a pension for the loss of a finger on right hand. Head him off.

V. General Orders, Nos. 18, 19 and 20, from National Headquarters, are herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

BOSTON, July 17, 1886.

I. At the last Department Encampment a committee was appointed to act in concert with the Council of Administration to consider the expediency of forming a Veterans' Rights Association. The committee and Council have held several meetings, and as the result of their labors I send you several copies of a Preamble and Constitution adopted by them for a basis upon which to form such an association. In view of the importance of this subject, the Department Commander trusts each Post will give it a careful consideration.

II. In accordance with Art. I, Sec. 3, of said Constitution, Posts will elect or Commanders appoint two delegates to attend a Convention to be called Sept. 8, 1886, hour and place of meeting to be announced in subsequent orders. Posts should not elect or Commanders appoint delegates until the subject has been thoroughly discussed, with the view of

sending comrades who may fully represent the opinions of their Post on this matter.

III. The Department Commander, Assistant Adjutant-General, Assistant Quartermaster-General and delegates to the National Encampment will leave Boston for San Francisco on Thursday, July 22, at 4.30 P.M.

During the absence of the Assistant Adjutant-General these headquarters will be under charge of Department Inspector B. Read Wales, whose office hours will be from 4.15 to 5.30 P.M., except Saturday, when the office will be closed.

As most of the business and correspondence pertaining to the Department will have to lay over until the return of the Assistant Adjutant-General, I trust that comrades will govern themselves accordingly, and make no requests of these headquarters except what is absolutely necessary until his return, which will be about August 23.

IV. The headquarters of the Department in San Francisco will be at No. 615 Stockton street, S.W. corner California street. All comrades from Massachusetts are requested to report there August 2, when they will be furnished with a ribbon badge. For the honor of the "Old Bay State," the Department Commander hopes all comrades will go prepared to take part in the parade and show the comrades of the Pacific Coast that Massachusetts is always ready when duty calls.

V. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Capt. J. C. Wentthrop, 62d Mass. Inf.; of Capt. Bott, Co. K, 11th Mass. Inf.; any officers of the 7th Mass. Batt. L.A.; any shipmate who served on the Monitor *Canonicus* in 1861.

VI. General Orders, No. 21, from National Headquarters, is here-with promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7. }

BOSTON, Sept. 22, 1886

I. The Department Commander desires to congratulate the comrades of the Department upon the large number in attendance upon the National Encampment at San Francisco. The courtesies and hospitalities of the comrades and people of California extended to our delegates and comrades will be held in grateful remembrance.

II. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for third quarter ending September 30 should be at these headquarters by the 10th of October. I trust they will be forwarded promptly. The Adjutants and Quartermasters should have their respective reports ready to hand to the Post Commander at the close of the last meeting night of the quarter.

III. The attention of Posts is particularly invited to the accompanying circular from a committee of the Board of Control of the "Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau." It must be borne in mind that each Post in this Department is equally interested in the success of this Association, as its organization was ordered by vote of the Department Encampment. I trust this appeal from the committee will be responded to promptly. All contributions should be sent to

Comrade J. Edwin Hunt, Treasurer of the Association, 1 Pemberton Square, Room 11.

IV. The matter of holding a reunion of the Grand Army, referred to the Council of Administration by vote of the Department Encampment, was duly considered by them and deemed inexpedient to attempt it this year.

V. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Capt. C. E. Mitchell, or any officer or shipmate of U.S.S. *Baltimore*, who remembers Henry Rand, second-class fireman on said ship; of some comrade of Co. D, 3d Mass. Cav., who remembers Asa Caswell of said company; of James O'Connell, 1st Sergt. Co. C, 1st Mass. Cav.; of any of the officers or crew on board U.S.S. *Minnesota*, at the capture of Fort Fisher, who remember Howes Mays on said ship.

VI. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial of Comrade Charles H. Chandler of Post 30, G.A.R., are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VII. General Orders, No. 2, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 8. }
BOSTON, Nov. 12, 1886.

I. General Orders, No. 3, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

II. More definite information in regard to the headstones for soldiers' graves, mentioned in National Orders, No. 3, will be given to Posts as soon as the proper blanks are furnished the Department.

III. Particular attention is directed to the election of delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment. This election must be held at the first regular meeting in December. The ratio of representation is as follows: One delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing at the end of the third quarter ending September 30, with an additional delegate and alternate for the fraction when it is more than one-half that number. But every Post, whatever its membership, is entitled to one delegate and alternate. (See Rules and Regulations, Chap. III, Art. II.) Blank credentials are herewith enclosed on which to make returns. One copy only will be sent to these headquarters.

IV. A year's supply of blank Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports, with blank bond for Post Quartermaster, have been sent to each Post Commander. If the same have not been received, notice should be sent to these headquarters at once.

V. The original muster of Fred. C. Floyd, a comrade of Post 125 of this Department, having by General Orders, No. 6, issued from these headquarters Oct. 27, 1875, been declared null and void by reason of an alleged rejection of said comrade on a former application made by him to another Post of the G.A.R., and it now appearing that the alleged rejection of said comrade was illegal and improper, and that when he was mustered into the G.A.R. he was eligible as a candidate, he has by

authority of the National Encampment, G.A.R., granted at its last session in San Francisco, Cal., and by the unanimous vote of the Council of Administration of this Department, been declared to be a comrade of the G.A.R. in good standing, and he will hereafter be regarded and received as such. Post 125, of which Comrade Floyd was a member, being no longer in existence, he has been granted the usual transfer card from these headquarters.

VI. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Capt. David Linnehan, Co. D, 11th Mass. Inf.; of some comrade of Co. L, 13th Pa. Cav., who remembers Robert Bailey of said company; of Duncan Robinson of the U.S.S. *Lackawanna* in 1864; of some comrade of Co. C, 11th U.S. Inf.; of any member of 2d Mass. H.A. who remembers David Goodwin of said regiment; of any member of Co. H, 25th N.Y. Cav., who remembers Wm. Gardner of said company.

VII. Comrades are cautioned not to give any assistance to Rowland C. Whicher, claiming to be an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Togus, Me. I have a letter from the Commander of the Post there, stating that Whicher is a beat of the first water, and not to trust him under any circumstances. Also look out for one William Ashton, Co. I, 4th R.I., Inf. He is a dropped member of Post 48, Department of Maine, and is unworthy of assistance.

VIII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Comrade Charles Stone of Post 125, G.A.R., Pittsfield, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 9. } BOSTON, Dec. 7, 1886.

I. General Orders, No. 4, and Circular No. 3 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated

II. Comrades, nearly a full month remains in which to increase the membership of our Order this year, and I trust every effort will be made to bring all worthy veterans into our ranks. I desire to call especial attention to the list of suspended members. The report for the third quarter ending September 30 showed a suspended list of 688 comrades. I hope the officers of Posts will give this matter serious consideration, and have put forth every effort possible to reduce it.

III. In compliance to General Orders, No. 3, from National Headquarters, and in accordance with Paragraph 2 of General Orders, No. 8, from these headquarters, a blank is herewith enclosed on which the report is to be made for headstones for unmarked graves of Union soldiers and sailors, who are buried in city, village and private cemeteries. These blanks when filled out should be returned to these headquarters. Additional blanks will be furnished on application to this office, but care should be exercised in ordering more blanks, to state the probable number of additional names to be reported. Post Commanders will appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to search out all unmarked graves of

soldiers and sailors buried in this Department, and not alone those who died during the war, but all who have died since their discharge, so that the grave of every loyal defender of the Republic may be plainly and permanently marked. Have the blank filled out in a plain, legible hand, and be particular to give all the information asked for on the blank, namely, name, rank, company, regiment, ship, and date of death. In cities or towns where there is more than one Post of the G.A.R., it is hoped that concerted action be taken that there be no omissions.

IV. The order announcing Mustering Officers will be issued on or about December 25. Posts desiring the services of a particular-comrade for this purpose will first secure his consent to perform the duty, and then at once notify these headquarters of their choice, when he will be detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer. Recommendations must be received previous to the above date, and in no case will an assignment be made unless the Post or its representative so designates.

V. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Col. Stevenson, 24th Mass. Inf.; Capt. Chas. Hooper, 1st Lieut. Folsom, Co. E, 24th Mass. Inf.; the Surgeon on board the Monitor *Ondago* in 1864; of James P. Pollock, Co. I, 7th New York Art.; any shipmate on board U.S.S. *Vandalia* who knew James T. Patch of said ship.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
1 PEMBERTON Sq., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 10. }

BOSTON, Dec. 27, 1886.

I. The following named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers by Comrade P. Allen Linsey, Chief Mustering Officer of the Department, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| Chas. D. Nash, Department Senior Vice-Commander, Whitman . . . | 15 |
| Horace A. Stevens, Council of Administration, Lynn . . . | 45 |
| Samuel Worcester, Council of Administration, Salem . . . | 50 |
| Samuel M. Weale, Council of Administration, East Boston . . . | 23 |
| A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General, Boston . . . | 7, 57 |
| B. Read Wales, Department Inspector, Boston . . . | 8, 13 |
| J. G. B. Adams, Past Department Commander . . . | 12 |
| Geo. S. Evans, Past Department Commander, Boston Post Office, . . . | 1, 26, |
| | 30, 36, 68, 156, 159 |
| Geo. H. Patch, Past Department Commander, Boston . . . | 2, 100 |
| Jeremiah Wakefield, Boston . . . | 32, 149 |
| E. P. Morton, Webster . . . | 137 |
| Wm. L. Crosier, North Adams . . . | 79 |
| Ivory R. Allen, Chelsea . . . | 35 |
| Chas. A. Tenney, Pratt's Junction . . . | 59 |
| Thos. R. McDermott, Danvers . . . | 90 |
| C. T. Stearns, Winchendon . . . | 153 |
| Geo. V. Barrett, Ayer . . . | 48 |
| Samuel Hawes, Chatham . . . | 141 |

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| Rev. A. St. John Chambré, Lowell | 42 |
| Wm. H. Thomas, Hingham | 104 |
| Robert D. Sargent, Newburyport | 49 |
| Chas. H. Leonard, Plymouth | 76, 165 |
| Wm. L. Robinson, Worcester | 10 |
| Ira G. Wilkins, Fitchburg | 19 |
| Thos. H. Haskell, Charlestown | 11 |
| Thos. F. Ellsworth, Ipswich | 122 |
| W. C. Pomeroy, Northampton | 86, 147 |
| E. S. Horton, Attleboro | 133 |
| Wm. S. Gage, Braintree | 88 |
| Joseph W. Stocker, Beverly | 89 |
| Thomas Langlan, Boston | 92 |
| L. M. Alden, Middleboro | 124 |
| Geo. J. Sanger, Danvers | 152 |
| Geo. H. Corey, Southbridge | 173 |
| G. L. Eldridge, Hyde Park | 169 |
| A. R. Holmes, Canton | 157 |
| Joseph Gregory, Marblehead | 82 |
| A. M. Lunt, East Cambridge | 134 |
| Emerson Stone, Spencer | 65 |
| D. H. L. Gleason, Natick | 63 |
| C. P. Winslow, Westboro | 80 |
| C. H. Coburn, Lowell | 120 |
| Edward E. Barnard, Turners Falls | 162 |
| E. C. Marsh, Marlboro | 43, 96 |
| David R. Pierce, Boston | 66 |
| Horace D. Durgin, North Cambridge | 161 |
| J. P. Maxfield, Lowell | 185 |
| C. O. Roberts, Essex | 114 |
| Cyrus H. Wesson, Rutland | 136 |
| A. A. Burrill, Milford | 22 |
| Edward McKay, Milford | 14 |
| Benj. W. Spooner, Athol | 123 |
| R. L. Doane, Athol | 17 |
| Jacob Leroy, Lee | 178 |
| Geo. W. Mason, Franklin | 60 |
| Henry W. Weeks, Dedham | 181 |
| Eugene R. Prior, Rockport | 106 |
| E. C. Gould, Melrose | 75 |
| E. W. Lathrop, Springfield | 103, 183 |
| N. E. Ladd, Groveland | 101 |
| Wm. W. Robinson, Bolton | 172 |
| Fred G. Hyde, Oxford | 168 |
| E. P. Loring, Fitchburg | 53 |
| E. C. Mann, Lancaster | 64 |
| Chas. Fay, Springfield | 107 |
| Jeremiah Stuart, Clinton | 175 |
| Geo. W. Wilder, Scituate | 31 |
| Geo. W. Dutton, Stoughton | 72 |
| Timothy Reed, Whitman | 78. |
| C. C. Nichols, Dedham | 144 |
| Chas. H. Clark, Westfield | 41 |
| S. B. Spooner, Springfield | 16 |
| A. S. Atherton, Wakefield | 4 |
| J. Albert Mills, Newburyport | 128 |
| Henry B. Peirce, Abington | 73 |
| S. A. Lawrence, Stoneham | 33 |
| Chauncy O. Noyes, Georgetown | 108 |

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| Thos. R. Mathews, Boston | 113 |
| Jason Mann, Montague | 150 |
| C. E. Wade, Easthampton | 166 |
| E. P. Simpson, South Framingham | 18 |
| A. P. Greenough, Fayville | 44 |
| Chas. W. Jackson, Lynn | 118 |
| J. H. Balcom, Ashland | 6 |
| A. L. Barrett, Orange | 20 |
| J. L. Bruce, Concord | 180 |

II. The Commanders of the above indicated Posts should at once communicate with their Mustering Officers, giving time and place of installation, and the most direct way of getting there. In case the comrade designated above for any Post cannot be present, and where no comrade has been detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer, any National or Department officer, or Past Post Commander (in his own Post) in good standing (except the retiring Commander), may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until all reports and dues have been forwarded. (See Service Book)

III. The Twenty-first Session of the Department Encampment will be held in this city January 27 and 28. It is proposed to have a banquet at the close of the meeting. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are requested to send to this office, at their earliest opportunity, on the inclosed postal card, the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the same. Price of tickets, \$1.00. Promptness is desirable in this matter, as only five hundred tickets can be issued on account of the capacity of the hall.

IV. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Any comrade of Co. G, 2d Mass. H. A., by Richard Garvey, 17 Culvert street, Roxbury, Mass; of Samuel A. Philbrick, Co. E, 3d U.S. Cav., Private Orderly to General Rawlins at General Grant's headquarters during Vicksburg campaign; any comrade of the 12th Mass. L.B., who remembers John Tierney of said battery; any comrade of Co. C, 1st Mass. Inf., who remembers Marshall Fay of said company; Isaac Allen and Wm. Stonebury, Co. H, 40th N.Y.

V. Comrades are cautioned against assisting Comrade E. E. Howard, a suspended member of Post 32 of South Boston. The Commander of said Post informs these headquarters that he is unworthy.

VI. General Orders, Nos. 5, 6 and 7, from National Headquarters, are herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11 }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 11. }

BOSTON, Dec. 28, 1886.

The angel of death has again visited our ranks and taken our honored comrade John Alexander Logan, for three years Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic

By his death the Grand Army has lost one of its most devoted and earnest friends. His record on the field was a glorious one, and whether as General at the head of his gallant troops or as statesman in the halls of Congress, he was ever ready to stand fearlessly by his old comrades in arms. His large-heartedness, his generosity to the needy and destitute, his uniform kindness to all, endeared him to every member of our organization with whom he became associated; brave, frank, magnanimous, he will live in the hearts of those he has left behind, and their love and grief will be a grander tribute to his memory than the proudest chaplet which fame can lay upon his grave.

Our tenderest sympathy and love are extended to the devoted wife and weeping children, and we trust the memory of all his glories and virtues may soften their grief at his absence.

All Department and Post officers will, for thirty days from the date of this order, wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm and sword hilt when on duty, and the charter of each Post will be draped in mourning in honor of our departed comrade.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 12. }

BOSTON, Jan 12, 1887.

I. The Annual Encampment of this Department will meet at Tremont Temple (in the Meionaon), Boston, on Thursday evening, January 27, at 7 o'clock, and continue the session at Tremont Temple, January 28.

II. It is earnestly desired that every Post in the Department shall be represented by its full delegation. Posts should pay the expenses of their delegates, if necessary to secure this end.

III. The ratio of representations has already been published in General Orders, No. 8. In the absence of a Post Commander, the Senior Vice-Commander may represent the Post, or if both are absent the Junior Vice-Commander may act.

IV. Comrade Wm. F. Hayes, Commander of Post 159, will detail one Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, an Orderly, and eight comrades to act as guard during the Encampment. This detail will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Tremont Temple at 6 p.m. the 27th.

V. After the adjournment of the Encampment, a banquet will be held at Faneuil Hall, to which Comrade Lucius Fairchild, Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., Governor Ames, Mayor O'Brien, Collector Saltonstall, Postmaster-General John M. Corse, and other distinguished guests have been invited. Only five hundred tickets will be issued at \$1.00 each, and as delegates are first to be supplied, it is hoped they will order tickets through their Post Commanders without delay, so that if any are left they can be sold to comrades desiring them.

VI. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: 2d Lieut. Wm. F. Clark, Sergt. James F. Kidder, both of Co. E, 30th Mass. Inf., and Sergt.-Maj. Geo. G. Spear, same regiment; of Capt. Chas. H. Rich, Co. C, 1st N. S. C. Troops; of some comrade of Co. K, 146 N.Y. Inf., in July, 1863, who knew Michael Gordon of said company; Surgeon 28th Mass. Inf., spring of 1863; some comrade of Co. B, 28th Mass. Inf., who remembers William F. Carter of said company.

VII. General Orders, No. 8, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

RICHARD F. TOBIN,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

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| EDMUND C. WHITNEY, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | Dorchester. |
| C. D. HENDRICKSON, <i>Medical Director</i> | Orange. |
| REV. E. A. PERRY, <i>Chaplain</i> | Palmer. |

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| FRANK SIMONDS | Natick. |
| SAMUEL M. WEALE | E. Boston. |

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| B. READ WALES, <i>Inspector</i> | 1 Pemberton Sq., Room 11, Boston. |
| JOHN A. KEEFE, <i>Judge Advocate</i> | Boston. |
| P. ALLEN LINDSEY, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | Cambridgeport. |

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| GEORGE S. MERRILL, | Lawrence. | JOHN W. HERSEY, | Springfield. |

* Deceased.

POSTS.

| NAME OF POST. | No. | TOWN. | NO. OF MEMBERS | COMMANDER. | NIGHT OF MEETING. |
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| Wm. Logan Rodman | 1 | New Bedford | 253 | Fred A. Washburn..... Box 492 | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | South Boston | 220 | C. H. Whiting..... 382 Broadway | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett | 3 | Taunton..... | 161 | Lewis B. Hodges..... | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | Melrose..... | 63 | Edwin C. Gould..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander..... | 5 | Lynn..... | 949 | T. M. Currant..... Box 23 | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | Holliston..... | 46 | Wm. H. Belcher..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell | 7 | Boston..... | 412 | Wilbur F. Lane..... 37 Dwight Street | Friday |
| E. W. Pierce | 8 | Middleboro | 78 | James M. Sampson | Saturday |
| Reno | 9 | Hudson | 94 | Chas. G. Brigham | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward | 10 | Worcester..... | 601 | Cephas N. Walker..... 6 Merrick Street | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | Charlestown..... | 214 | Wm. H. Poole..... 143 Main Street | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | Wakefield | 205 | Arlon S. Atherton..... | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | Brockton..... | 186 | Alfred F. Sears..... Box 1094 | Wednesday |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | Hopkinton | 33 | N. H. Houghton..... | Tuesday |
| John A. Andrew | 15 | Boston..... | 440 | David R. Pierce..... 771 Dudley Street | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | Springfield | 473 | Joel H. Hendricks..... 632 State Street | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | Orange | 89 | Albert L. Barrett..... | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott | 18 | Ashland | 35 | E. H. Bunker | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | Fitchburg..... | 239 | Edward P. Loring | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf | 20 | Colerain..... | 23 | E. J. Read..... Griswoldville | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | Boston..... | 54 | Chas. Rothenberg..... 46 Lagrange St., Boston | Last Tuesday |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher | 22 | Milford..... | 125 | Henry J. Bailey..... Box 243 | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker | 23 | East Boston..... | 128 | Edward Preble..... 5 Monmouth St., E.B. | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | Grafton..... | 73 | Geo. M. Newton | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | Uxbridge..... | 32 | Ezra H. Hill..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson | 26 | Roxbury | 164 | John E. Killian | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | Oxford | 45 | O. B. Chaffee..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells | 28 | West Boylston | 31 | J. E. Anderson..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers | 29 | Waltham | 111 | M. H. Stevens..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | Cambridgeport .. | 264 | Wm. H. P. Plummer... 42 Windsor Street | Thursday |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | Scituate | 63 | Geo. O. Vinal..... Egypt | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington | 32 | South Boston..... | 70 | W. J. Blake..... 19 Dedham Street | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Burbank | 33 | Woburn..... | 85 | Wm. P. Warren..... Box 695 | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan | 34 | Salem..... | 225 | Samuel Worcester..... | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | Chelsea | 432 | Nelson H. Sibley..... Office Chief of Police | Thursday |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | Arlington | 54 | Horace D. Durgin..... North Cambridge | 1st and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | Spencer..... | 102 | Chas. P. Barton..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Dexter | 38 | Brookfield | 58 | E. Legg..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham..... | 39 | Lawrence..... | 343 | Chas. H. Conillard..... | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | Malden..... | 141 | F. E. West..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Lyon..... | 41 | Westfield..... | 156 | Geo. H. Prescott..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | Lowell..... | 353 | John Welch..... 212 Middlesex Street | Thursday |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | Marlboro | 131 | J. R. McCrillis..... | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols | 44 | Fayville | 34 | Geo. Cantello | Tuesday |
| Colonel Allen..... | 45 | Gloucester..... | 160 | Sidney Gardner..... | Thursday |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | Fall River..... | 215 | John H. Abbott..... Box 369 | Thursday |
| Major How..... | 47 | Haverhill..... | 369 | Edward B. Savage..... | Tuesday |
| George S. Boutwell | 48 | Ayer..... | 50 | John H. Sprague..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |

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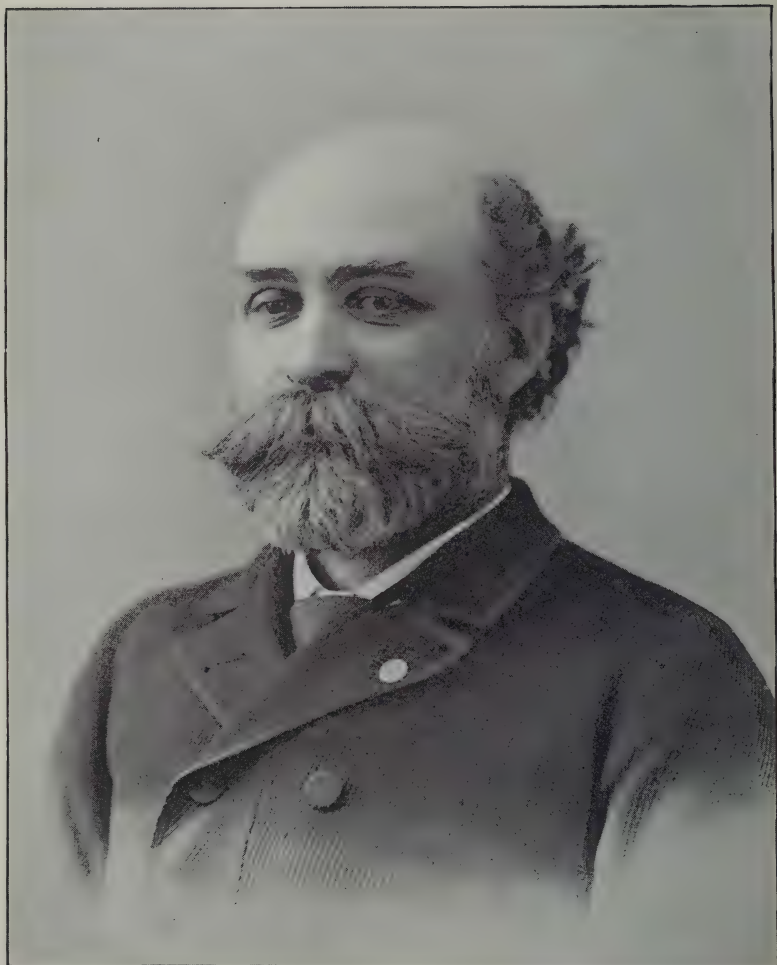
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| A. W. Bartlett | 49 | Newburyport..... | 243 | Henry Martin..... | Friday |
| Union..... | 50 | Peabody..... | 117 | Frank E. Farnham..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | North Brookfield.. | 62 | John S. Cooke..... | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | South Easton..... | 76 | Ellis R. Holbrook..... | 2d and last Fri. |
| | | | | Box 30, Cochesett } | |
| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | Leominster..... | 112 | A. W. Allen..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | Berlin..... | 25 | John A. Merrill..... | 1st Tuesday |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | Provincetown..... | 37 | Geo. H. Nickerson..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | 114 | Horace A. Allyn..... | Monday |
| | | | | 471 Broadway } | |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge.. | 158 | F. M. Balcom..... | Wednesday |
| | | | | Sixth Street } | |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | 205 | Benj. S. Lovell..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | | East Weymouth } | |
| Major J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | Sterling..... | 28 | Wm. S. Walker..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin..... | 60 | Franklin..... | 76 | Wm. E. Nason..... | 4th Monday |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | 99 | Elias P. Morton..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | 104 | W. H. Park, Jr..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| | | | | Newtonville } | |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | 163 | S. W. Mann..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | 78 | Henry C. Ladd..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | 40 | John Thayer..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| | | | | Box 330 } | |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | 100 | Robt. M. Spinney..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | 46 | Chas. H. Stone..... | Friday |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester..... | 254 | Chas. D. Stiles..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| | | | | 13 Belden Street } | |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | 26 | J. S. Harrington..... | Alternate Sat. |
| | | | | S. Westminster } | |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | 52 | E. A. Waters..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | 141 | Wm. H. Abbott..... | Tuesday |
| | | | | Howard Street } | |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | Stoughton..... | 60 | Lysander Wood..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | 90 | A. W. Hines..... | Wednesday |
| | | | | North Abington } | |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | 116 | Geo. E. Dunham..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | 101 | S. L. Colley..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | 129 | B. A. Hathaway..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | 22 | A. D. Bascom..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.. | 136 | Rufus Cass..... | Tuesday |
| | | | | S. Abington Station } | |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams..... | 103 | Peter Snyder..... | Friday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | 99 | Chas. E. Smith..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | 58 | Fred A. Thomas..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | Marblehead..... | 179 | | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | 30 | R. C. Waterman..... | 1st Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.. | 26 | Chas. Stowell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | 34 | Frank P. Clark..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | Northampton..... | 184 | Wm. R. Bardwell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| | | | | Florence, Mass. } | |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.. | 68 | Henry A. Monk..... | Friday |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | 90 | Francis P. Loud..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | Beverly..... | 155 | John Hanners..... | Thursday |
| | | | | Box 848 } | |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | 141 | Harvey H. Pillsbury..... | Monday |
| | | | | H. C. Lindley..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Brighton..... | 55 | Alva J. Wilson..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | Shelburne Falls.. | 62 | James F. Hunter..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | | | Box 154 } | |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | 70 | John T. Pitman..... | 2d and last Thur. |
| | | | | Box 276 } | |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | Saugus..... | 50 | John T. Gilman..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| | | | | East Saugus } | |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | 24 | F. M. Harrington..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | 45 | A. W. Morse..... | 1st Monday |
| Henry Brvant..... | 98 | Cohasset..... | 30 | E. E. Wentworth..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | Andover..... | 52 | Geo. W. Chandler..... | 1st Friday |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | Methuen..... | 74 | Geo. N. Bernard..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | 54 | Hosea B. Nash..... | Thursday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | 59 | Chas. E. C. Breck..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |

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| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | 70 | Benj. F. Tucker..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | 62 | Chas. H. Wakefield..... | 1st Thursday |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | Upton..... | 39 | D. C. Haviland..... | Tuesday |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | 59 | Calvin W. Pool..... | Monday |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | Palmer..... | 47 | Charles Upham..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | 76 | Chas. W. Tenney..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton.. | 42 | Chas. B. Garfield..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | Randolph..... | 45 | N. H. Tirrell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | 31 | Geo. H. Church..... | { Sat. after full moon. |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate... | 51 | E. Pembroke..... | |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston..... | 110 | David Bassford, Jr..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac..... | 57 | Hanover, Mass. } Augustine Sanderson.. | |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton..... | 30 | 1682 Washington St. } | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | 63 | M. P. Brew..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | 30 | Daniel C. Fletcher..... | 1st Saturday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | 31 | Littleton, Mass. } | |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | 37 | John D. Edgell..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| James A. Garfield.... | 120 | Lowell..... | 247 | John H. Pember..... | 2d Tuesday |
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | 142 | Walpole, Mass. } | |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | 65 | John I. Adams..... | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | 109 | Geo. D. Harrington..... | 3d Thursday |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | East Bridgewater | 47 | W. A. Fifield..... | Wednesday |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | 205 | 24 Varney Street } | |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams..... | 75 | E. S. Churchill..... | 1st Monday |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | 27 | Box 255, Dedham, Mass. | |
| Gen. James Appleton.. | 128 | Ipswich..... | 103 | Charles Goss..... | Monday |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | Blackstone..... | 30 | Box 2..... | |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | 36 | Box 110..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | Leicester..... | 50 | Peregrine W. Poole..... | |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | 51 | Elmwood, Mass. } | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | Plainville..... | 31 | Walter Cutting..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston..... | 48 | E. P. Snow..... | Saturday |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury..... | 24 | Edward Pendleton..... | 2d Saturday |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | 39 | Luther Wait..... | Wednesday |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | East Douglass... | 33 | Box 283..... | |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | West Acton..... | 72 | C. E. Tucker..... | 1st Friday |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | 65 | Blackstone..... | |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | Athol..... | 73 | Wm. J. Arbuckle..... | Thursday |
| Frank D. Hammond.. | 141 | S. Chatham..... | 47 | John F. Kebler..... | 2d Tuesday |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxonville..... | 26 | Rochdale..... | |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | 43 | S. Wells Hunt..... | 1st Saturday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | 92 | Wm. H. Wade..... | Monday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | 101 | Samuel A. Valentine.. | Thursday |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford.... | 20 | 1 Blossom Court } | |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | Amherst..... | 105 | Jos. R. Loring..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | 26 | Jas. G. Shannon..... | 1st Monday |
| Major G. L. Stearns.. | 149 | Charlestown.... | 40 | Henry Hutchins..... | Thursday |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | Montague..... | 43 | Isaiah Hutchins..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury... | 12 | Melville D. Jones..... | Monday |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | Essex..... | 40 | Wm. E. Jaquith..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| | | | | Geo. N. Munsell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| | | | | Harwich..... | |
| | | | | Nathaniel S. Robinson. | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| | | | | S. Framingham } | |
| | | | | Wm. E. Long..... | 3d Monday |
| | | | | Henry W. Weeks..... | 3d Friday |
| | | | | E. D. Guild..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| | | | | Geo. T. Fisher..... | 3d Thursday |
| | | | | 233 Middle Street } | |
| | | | | H. M. McCloud..... | { Tues. on or bef. full moon |
| | | | | M. E. Lyon..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| | | | | Chas. S. Stone..... | |
| | | | | 11 Charles St., S'm'ville } | Friday |
| | | | | G. N. Watson..... | |
| | | | | N. Leverett..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| | | | | Elbridge G. Wood..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| | | | | Chas. E. French..... | Wednesday |

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| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | Winchendon..... | 61 | Geo. Q. A. Bryant..... | 2d and 3d Fri. |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | Kingston..... | 48 | Frank C. Hill..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | Monson..... | 61 | Wm. Ricketts..... | { Mon. on or |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | Everett..... | 57 | Chas. H. Spencer..... | { bef. full moon |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | Walpole..... | 37 | Joseph C. Madigan..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| | | | | East Walpole..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser... | 158 | Housatonic..... | 40 | Wm. McDonald..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | East Boston..... | 123 | Joseph Rossiter..... | Friday |
| | | | | 123 Saratoga St., E.B. } | |
| Alanson Hamilton.... | 160 | West Brookfield.. | 32 | Geo. H. Howard..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Woburn..... | 161 | Woburn..... | 60 | Milton Moore..... | Wednesday |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | Turners Falls..... | 60 | Otis B. Wood..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | So. Framingham.. | 48 | E. F. Phinney..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | Conway..... | 24 | Chas. C. Burdett..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | Duxbury..... | 48 | J. W. Tower..... | Friday |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | Easthampton..... | 70 | Edwin E. Jones..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | Whitinsville..... | 21 | J. F. Snelling..... | 2d Friday |
| Malcolm Ammidown.. | 168 | Southbridge..... | 49 | Geo. W. Corey..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Geo. K. Bird..... | 169 | Norwood..... | 36 | Albert G. Webb..... | 2d Friday |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | Mansfield..... | 38 | Henry H. Fairbanks.. | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| Albert S. Johnson.... | 171 | Northfield..... | 27 | Rollins C. Ward..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| E. K. Warren..... | 172 | Bolton..... | 18 | Ambrose Eames..... | Thursday |
| J. Arthur Johnson.... | 173 | Sturbridge..... | 38 | John H. Harrison..... | { Wednesday |
| | | | | Fiskdale..... | |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | Greenfield..... | 81 | Chas. C. Haskell..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Washburn..... | 175 | Lancaster..... | 21 | Eben C. Mann..... | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee... | 176 | Huntington..... | 67 | Edwin D. Hutchinson.. | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | Lee..... | 30 | D. M. Wilcox..... | 2d and 4th Thur. |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | Otis..... | 20 | Warren O. Hawley..... | { Sat. on or |
| | | | | | { bef. full moon |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | Barre..... | 36 | B. F. Brooks..... | 1st Saturday |
| Old Concord..... | 180 | Concord..... | 55 | Edward J. Bartlett..... | 2d Thursday |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | Needham..... | 33 | A. D. Kingsbury..... | Alternate Thurs. |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton.... | 182 | Somerset..... | 19 | Amasa Gray..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | South Hadley.... | 25 | Chas. Church..... | |



CHARLES D. NASH,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
1887-88.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.
HELD AT
BOSTON, 1888.

FEBRUARY 8. — AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Annual Meeting of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, convened at Tremont Temple, Boston, Feb. 8, 1888, in accordance with General Orders, No. 11, from Department Headquarters, and was called to order at 2.10 p.m. by Department Commander Charles D. Nash.

Officer of the Day reported that all present were members of the Order.

Past Department Commanders were invited to take seats on the platform.

Prayer was offered by Comrade E. A. Horton, Department Chaplain, after which the Department Commander declared the Encampment open in due form.

Commander then appointed the following Committee on Credentials, viz: A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General; Aug. H. Wright, Assistant Quartermaster-General; A. A. Smith and E. P. Jewett, Council of Administration; W. H. Brown, Aide.

On the motion of Judge-Advocate John A. Keefe, the reading of the records of the previous Encampment was dispensed with.

The Assistant Adjutant-General reported for the Committee on Credentials, as follows:—

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment | 639 |
| Number present | 419 |

Divided as follows:—

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| Department Officers | 15 |
| Past Department Officers | 6 |
| Post Commanders | 144 |
| Delegates | 254 |
| | — |
| Total | 419 |

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT,

1888.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

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| <i>Commander</i> | CHARLES D. NASH. |
| <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i> | EDMUND C. WHITNEY |
| <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i> | JAMES KITTLE. |
| <i>Medical Director</i> | J. B. CHERRY |
| <i>Chaplain</i> | E. A. HORTON. |

Council of Administration.

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| A. A. SMITH. | MALCOLM SILLARS. |

E. P. JEWETT.

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| <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i> | A. C. MONROE. |
| <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i> | AUG. H. WRIGHT. |
| <i>Inspector</i> | B. READ WALES. |
| <i>Judge Advocate</i> | JOHN A. KEEFE. |
| <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i> | T. SPENCER JENKS. |

Past Department Commanders.

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| J. W. KIMBALL. | GEORGE S. MERRILL. |
| J. G. B. ADAMS. | GEORGE W. CREASEY. |
| GEO. S. EVANS | JOHN D. BILLINGS. |
| JOHN W. HERSEY. | R. F. TOBIN. |

[Only the names of comrades present are given.]

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- POST 2. Commander Wm. F. Clerke, Geo. H. Innis, W. H. Lee, C. H. Ross, J. D. Kenney, J. B. Blake
- POST 3. Commander Alden H. Blake, J. W. Brewer, Alanson Pratt, Lyman Mason
- POST 4. Commander John E. Marshall, John Gray.
- POST 5. Commander Geo. W. Wilson, T. M. Currant, Fred. P. Larabee, P. S. Curry, G. W. Wilson, Geo. D. Stiles, F. M. Flinn, John Macfarlane, H. F. Syer, Geo. H. Rich, J. W. Young, C. L. Hill, Geo. W. Littlefield, H. B. Prebble, E. W. Hall, F. P. Sawyer, Israel Buffinton, D. W. Eaton, D. C. Earle, Benjamin Pitman, James H. Andrews.
- POST 6. Commander G. Y. Leland, Benj. A. Bridges.

- Post 7. Commander Charles H. Whitney, Jeremiah Wakefield, P. W. Doherty, Thad Churchill, Andrew E. Perkins, C. G. Goussebaire, W. F. Lane, M. H. Enwright, G. A. J. Colgan, James E. Powers, W. H. Skimmage, Theo. A. Phelan.
- Post 8. Commander Robt. M. Dempsey, James H. Shaw, S. P. Edwards.
- Post 9. Commander Hiram P. Bean, Cyrus H. Brown, P. Pengrey, S. Arnold
- Post 10. Commander Josiah N Jones, Geo. A. Blunt, W. L. Robinson, M. A. Boyden, S. H. Fuller, J. E. Bigelow, J. P. Crosby, Jeremiah Murphy, Frank H. Rice, C. W. Putnam, J. K. Churchill, S. F. Babbitt, H. A. Green, H. B. Buck.
- Post 11. Commander Everett A. Stevens, J. W. Hill, C. P. Whittle, H. W. Woodbury, I. W. Derby, R. A. Blood, T. H. Haskell.
- Post 12. Commander Chas. H. Hawes, A. S. Atherton, W. N. Tyler, G. W. Aborn, W. L. Hawes, J. W. Lee.
- Post 13. Commander Seth L. French, Frank W. Luce, Samuel J. Wade, George A. Grant, J. P. Chipman.
- Post 14. Henry D. Smith.
- Post 15. Commander Geo. B. White, W. B. Daly, E. F. Rollins, W. B. Frothingham, James A. Fox, W. P. Shreve, James E. Reid, Geo. O. Noys, Chas. W. Bartlett, Henry J. Ellis, Stephen B. Clapp, A. Fitzmeyer, F. B. Beahn.
- Post 16. Commander James L. Bowen, J. H. Kendrick, E. M. Tinkham, J. A. A. Packard, O. H. Perry, W. R. Sessions, C. W. Garrett, W. D. Keyes, William Tatton, J. A. Turnbull, C. H. Rust.
- Post 17. Commander Lorenzo Harris, C. D. Hendrickson, Joseph Spencer.
- Post 18. Commander C. F. Davis, G. C. Fiske.
- Post 19. Commander Chas. H. Glazier. E. B. Macy, William Jubb, E. F. Putnam, J. W. Abbott, Stilman Stone.
- Post 20. Commander Henry M. Howard, C. B. Denison.
- Post 21. Commander Theodore Leutz, O. A. Schmidt.
- Post 22. Commander Joseph Hancock, A. F. Cheney, James W. Burke, Henry J. Bailey.
- Post 23. Commander J. H. S. Pearson, Samuel M. Weale, Geo. E. Harrington, Lyman W. Clarke.
- Post 24. Commander Perley Goddard, A. B. Hudson.
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- Post 38. John M. Badger.
- Post 39. Commander George L. Gage, C. N. Bell, John Sheehan, D. F. Kiley, W. D. Curtis, Samuel Langmaid, James Lane, C. E. Lock, F. O. Kendall, W. F. McAlpine.
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- Post 49. Commander Luther Carter, Benjamin Pierce, Caleb P. Davis, Jr., Russell S. Tibbetts, Thomas E. Carter, Geo. W. Lattime.
- Post 50. Commander Thomas H. Jackman, F. E. Farnham, Samuel G. Southwick, Wm. F. Wiley.
- Post 51. Junior Vice-Commander Geo. W. Bruce, Wm. C. Griffin.
- Post 52. Commander Geo. G. Smith, Thomas Bean.
- Post 53. Commander Thomas A. Hills, Thomas J. Ames, Samuel Felton, Elijah Thompson.
- Post 54. Commander Geo. H. Andrews, John A. Merrill.
- Post 55. Commander George Allen, H. P. Hughes.
- Post 56. Commander W. H. H. Howe, C. F. Seagrave, M. J. Conroy, H. E. Burton.
- Post 57. Commander John S. Kenney, J. H. Gallagher, Geo. Lloyd, Abner F. Davis.
- Post 58. Charles Trott, James J. Mahoney, Jr., Harvey E. Raymond, B. Frank Thomas.
- Post 59. Commander Albert H. Newhall, Edward N. Taylor.
- Post 60. Commander Walter M. Fisher, W. E. Nason, W. M. Conrey.
- Post 61. Commander A. R. Snow, P. S. May.
- Post 62. Commander A. T. Sylvester, James H. Baird, R. M. Lucas, S. A. Langley.
- Post 63. Commander John Crawford, A. B. Pierce, S. W. Mann, P. Mahan, J. H. Wright.
- Post 64. Commander Wm. A. Johnson, Lucius Field, Charles M. Dinsmore.
- Post 65. Commander L. W. Gilbert, H. M. Converse.
- Post 66. Commander O. H. Allen, J. H. Whitney, E. F. Smith.
- Post 67. Commander Henry T. Bingham, Charles H. Stone.
- Post 68. Commander C. D. W. Marcy, Charles B. Fox, Charles D. Stiles, Wallace Kenney, Stephen Sumner, A. H. Spencer.
- Post 69. Commander J. Henry Miller, Geo. E. Rice.
- Post 70. Commander Rodney D. Loomis, A. H. Batchelor.
- Post 71. Senior Vice-Commander D. E. Butler, Ira G. Mattice, E. I. Brockett, W. H. H. Stebbins.
- Post 72. Commander Ira Drake, George O. Wentworth.

- POST 73. Commander Calvin L. Baker, A. W. Hines, J. W. Sproul.
 POST 74. Samuel P. Keene, Silas Gurney.
 POST 75. Commander James O. Laughlin, S. L. Colly, John Best.
 POST 76. Commander A. Oliver Brown, Chas. H. Barnes, Harrison A. Wade, James D. Thurber
 POST 77. Commander Thaddeus S. Clark.
 POST 78. Commander Samuel W. Reed, Wm. R. Vining, Wm. H. Gurney.
 POST 79. Commander Lewis F. Amadon, Henry Turner, L. P. Fuller.
 POST 80. Commander M. H. Walker, W. M. Blake, Alden Lowell.
 POST 81. Commander Samuel F. Stearns, Geo. E. Teele.
 POST 82. Senior Vice-Commander J. W. Coffin, Joseph R. Graves, Wm. D. Gregory, C. W. Stevens, W. H. Brown.
 POST 83. Commander R. C. Waterman, O. T. Whiting.
 POST 84. Commander D. F. Hagar.
 POST 85. Commander Frank P. Clark, D. W. Ainsworth.
 POST 86. Commander M. Bridgeman, Wm. C. Pomeroy, W. R. Bardwell, H. M. Abbott, Chas. H. Heald, John Krach.
 POST 87. Commander Chas. G. Anderson, Edward Fisher.
 POST 88. Commander Horace Q. Souther, I. M. Holt, George A. Ordway.
 POST 89. Commander Josiah Woodbury, Geo. A. Woodbury, 2d, Wm. F. Early, John Hanners, Orange R. Taylor.
 POST 90. Commander James F. Woodward, J. Albert Robert, Thomas R. McDermott, Joseph G. Whitehouse, P. H. O'Connell.
 POST 91. Commander H. L. Campbell, S. Talbot.
 POST 92. Commander H. P. Kennedy, Lorenzo Murphy.
 POST 93. Commander Elliot F. Gillett, G. O. Wilder.
 POST 94. Commander Horace D. Seavey.
 POST 95. Commander Wm. A. Paul, Joseph W. Sawyer.
 POST 96. Commander F. M. Harrington, Theodore F. Corey.
 POST 97. Commander A. W. Morse, Mason Abby.
 POST 98. Commander E. E. Wentworth, D. B. Lincoln.
 POST 99. Commander S. K. Goldsmith, Peter D. Smith.
 POST 100. Commander Wm. R. Rowell, C. R. Ayer.
 POST 101. Commander Isaac C. Day, J. W. Chadwick.
 POST 102. Commander J. Strangman, Geo. A. Fletcher.
 POST 103. Commander Z. T. Damon, J. Hines.
 POST 104. Commander John H. Stoddard, J. Henry Howe.
 POST 105. Commander E. W. Harback, Geo. S. Ball.
 POST 106. Junior Vice-Commander Wm. H. Davis.
 POST 107. Commander H. E. W. Clark, Geo. O. Henry.
 POST 108. Commander Wm. G. Wadleigh, B. Martin, L. Adams.
 POST 109. George A. Brooks.
 POST 110. Commander Hiram C. Alden, N. H. Tirrell.
 POST 111. Commander Charles A. Bryant, Miles Sampson.
 POST 112. Commander John H. Prouty, George A. Ayling.
 POST 113. Commander A. C. Wellington, Edward J. Jones, Aug. N. Sampson
 POST 114. Commander Bailey Sargent, W. H. Blodgett.
 POST 115. Commander Thomas Gilson, M. P. Palmer.
 POST 116. Commander John D. Edgell, L. G. McKnight, Charles Bancroft.
 POST 117. Commander N. F. Harding, J. H. Gould.
 POST 118. Commander S. F. Douglass, G. M. Connor.
 POST 119. Commander A. A. Sherman, George D. Harrington.
 POST 120. Commander Wm. A. Stinson, Wm. A. Fifield, Daniel Walker, H. M. Jacobs, J. I. Brown, F. E. Butler.
 POST 121. Commander James McKay, George G. Bailey, Jr., S. H. Reynolds, G. A. Whitchee.

- Post 122. Commander George N. Janvrin, George H. Briggs.
- Post 123. Commander H. W. Harris, G. F. Parrish, S. A. Hill.
- Post 124. Elmer C. Bennett.
- Post 125. Commander L. B. Simons, W. F. Harrington, C. M. Whelden,
C. B. Scudder.
- Post 126. Commander E. G. Ingraham, N. B. Baker.
- Post 127. Commander J. G. Clark, John Scates.
- Post 128. Commander Philip E. Clark, Nathaniel Shattswell, Luther
Wait.
- Post 129. Commander Wm. F. Byrne, Arnold Welch.
- Post 130. Commander D. S. Woodman, H. A. Walker.
- Post 131. Commander Henry Biscoe, George Mann.
- Post 132. Commander Wm. C. Gifford, S. Wells Hunt.
- Post 133. Commander Wm. H. Wade, Granville Morse.
- Post 134. Commander Isaac S. Mullen, J. H. Smith.
- Post 135. Commander Peter Gamache, H. M. Ross.
- Post 136. Commander George A. Brown, Henry Converse.
- Post 137. George Q. Bigelow.
- Post 138. Commander F. H. Stevens, A. C. Handley, F. H. Whitcomb.
- Post 139. Commander John Kelley, Walter Winward, C. G. Brett,
M. D. Jones.
- Post 140. Commander L. C. Sawin, R. L. Doane, H. R. Barber.
- Post 141. Commander George N. Munsell, H. N. Coudeen.
- Post 142. Commander John A. Cassan, C. U. Fuller.
- Post 143. Commander E. B. Richardson, C. E. Hapgood.
- Post 144. Commander A. F. Cummings, B. P. Williams.
- Post 145. Commander Charles L. Fuller, E. S. Horton, E. D. Guild, R.
J. Bell.
- Post 146. Commander George F. Fisher, Charles H. Harrison.
- Post 147. Commander H. C. Comins, H. W. Field, John Woodard.
- Post 148. Commander Joseph McConville, S. C. Sewall.
- Post 149. Commander C. O. Stone, Joseph W. Leavett.
- Post 150. Commander O. C. Hutchins, G. N. Watson.
- Post 151. Not represented.
- Post 152. Commander J. B. Kimball, W. H. Burnham.
- Post 153. Commander George M. Stearns, J. B. Mathews.
- Post 154. W. J. Dunham.
- Post 155. Commander W. G. Meacham.
- Post 156. Samuel Freeman, D. Hadley.
- Post 157. Commander N. W. Fisher, J. C. Madigan.
- Post 158. Not represented.
- Post 159. Commander Chas. W. Lanman, Joseph Rossiter, C. E. Ger-
rold, L. E. Jenkins, L. J. Hurie.
- Post 160. Commander J. G. Warren, George H. Allen.
- Post 161. Commander J. Fred Leslie, B. F. Smith.
- Post 162. Commander Myron A. Ward, George Dunbar.
- Post 163. Commander Wm. F. Brown, W. R. Eastman.
- Post 164. G. H. Johnson.
- Post 165. L. Bradford.
- Post 166. Commander E. C. Kornig, C. N. Loud.
- Post 167. Not represented.
- Post 168. Senior Vice-Commander Edwin T. Morse, Calvin Clafin.
- Post 169. Commander William Taylor, A. E. Pratt.
- Post 170. Commander John Smith, A. W. Cobb.
- Post 171. Commander R. C. Ward.
- Post 172. Commander L. L. Potter, A. S. Haynes.
- Post 173. R. M. Shepard.
- Post 174. Commander James A. Horton, D. D. Holden.
- Post 175. Commander Henry H. Hosley, H. S. Nourse.

- Post 176. Commander Jason H. Fisk, W. F. Miller.
Post 177. Commander H. N. Horton, T. D. Holmes.
Post 178. Commander Warren O. Hawley, M. L. Hugins.
Post 179. Commander B. F. Brooks, S. S. Dennis.
Post 180. Commander George V. Ball, John L. Bruce.
Post 181. Commander George Adams, A. E. Foss.
Post 182. Commander H. J. Hall, William Ryan.
Post 183. Commander Louis B. Hooker, Charles Church.
Post 184. Commander J. W. Bride, M. M. Stowe.
Post 185. Commander A. A. Davis, H. W. Allen, A. W. Weeks, G. E.
Tinkham, C. H. Richardson, G. H. Richardson.
Post 186. Commander John S. Sawyer, P. H. Raymond.
Post 187. Commander George E. Hagar, J. H. Smith.
Post 188. Commander John L. Eaton, George H. Wyatt.
Post 189. Commander John H. Eames, I. H. Hatch.
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The next business was the reports of the Department officers, commencing with the address of the Department Commander, Charles D. Nash, as follows:—

ADDRESS OF
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER CHARLES D. NASH.

Comrades:—By the ceaseless and ever onward march of time, we are brought to this our Twenty-second Annual Encampment, where for a time we will halt for the purpose of reviewing the past, considering the present, and taking such action as may seem to us wise for the guidance of our noble association in the future. To this, then, the Twenty-second Annual Encampment of this Department, I bid you all a most cordial welcome. Let us act with the wisdom that comes with experience; let the questions that may come before us receive due and respectful attention; present them if need be with zeal and vigor; but in the discussion, let us remember that the minority are entitled to respectful consideration. Let the principle of Fraternity in its broadest sense govern our deliberations, and the Twenty-second Annual Encampment will take its place beside those that have preceded it, with the commendation of all the members of the Order.

I feel that I must congratulate the Encampment as we enter upon the twenty-third year of our existence, upon the return to our ranks of that feeling of good-fellowship which has been so conspicuous for two or three years past by its absence. I will not dwell upon the causes which led to so undesirable a state of things; but will merely suggest that the life of our institution is altogether too short, and its importance too great, to endanger it by the introduction into the discussions upon the questions that may come before us of bitter personalities. If we cannot discuss a question upon its merits, let us never allow its introduction into our Encampment, for harmony is a source of strength that we, as an institution, cannot afford to dispense with; let us then, comrades, recognize the right of every member to his own opinions, and all of us press on for that which we believe to be for the best interests of the Order.

MEMBERSHIP.

It will be seen by the report of the Assistant Adjutant-General, that we have made a gain in membership during the year of 3,291 and that our losses from all causes have been 2,537, leaving a net gain of 754. This certainly is very gratifying to me, as it must be to every comrade. An examination of the table of gains shows that of the total gain 1,455 were comrades who have never before belonged to the Order. This large percentage of new recruits suggests the question that is often asked, how many comrades still living within our jurisdiction are eligible to membership, who have not yet joined our ranks. I

have not been able to discover any way in which I could obtain this information with any degree of accuracy, but the steady gain of new members would indicate that there are yet many comrades still outside our ranks, who, if they could be induced to join, would make valuable members; let us then, comrades, use all honorable means to induce them to join our Order, that they may stand with us in our great and important work of to-day, as they stood with us in the terrible days of a quarter of a century ago. The time for forming new Posts to any great extent in the Department of Massachusetts has passed; however, I am glad to be able to report that during the year, charters have been issued for three new Posts, No. 187 at Dalton, No. 188 at Beverly Farms, and No. 189 at Marshfield, and they are all in a prosperous and flourishing condition. Two more applications for charters for new Posts have also been received, one to be located at Pittsfield and one at New Bedford. Hearings were given to the applicants in their respective towns, at which representatives from the Posts from whose membership the new Posts in a great measure were to be organized, appeared in opposition. After carefully considering the evidence, I could not find that any good and sufficient reason had been given why these Posts should be chartered, and I respectfully declined so to do. While it would have been a great pleasure to me personally to have granted the request of the applicants, yet the principle involved was one of vital importance to the Order, it being no less, as appeared by the evidence, than the submission of the minority to the will of the majority. It appeared in evidence in both cases, that had certain comrades been elected to fill the various offices, no application for a new charter would have been made. To establish the precedent of granting a charter to a minority of the members of a Post, on the ground that the result of an election was not satisfactory, or that the business of the Post was not conducted to suit them, especially when they had absented themselves from the Post meetings, would, in my judgment, be detrimental to the best interests of the Order. It would in a short time result in an increase of the number of Posts without materially increasing the membership; it would add to the work of the Assistant Adjutant-General, and would result finally in the destruction of many Posts and a general weakening of the whole Department. I would respectfully suggest that where mistakes have been made in the management of Posts, the better way to correct them is for the comrades to attend the meetings and take an interest in the general work. Then minorities, if they are right, will soon be in the majority, and a proper exercise of the spirit of Fraternity and Charity in the Post room will obviate all trouble. In my opinion, that is a better and safer policy to pursue, than to seek to divide the Post.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The National Encampment convened in the city of St. Louis, in accordance with General Orders, September 28 and continued until the 30th. The central location of St. Louis brought together a very large number of the members of the Order from all parts of the country, and only for the inclemency of the weather, the parade would have been the largest and most imposing of any previously held, it being estimated that thirty thousand comrades would have appeared in line. Owing to the severe storm on the day of the parade, the Department Commander, deeming it unwise to unnecessarily expose the comrades, respectfully declined to participate, consequently the Department of Massachusetts did not appear in the parade. The Armed Battalion of Post No. 16 of Springfield performed escort duty to the Commander-in-Chief in a soldierly manner, that reflected credit upon themselves and upon the Department from which they came.

There were present from this Department besides the Department Commander and the Assistant Adjutant-General, a full list of delegates, also Past Commander-in-Chief Merrill and Past Department Commanders Adams, Creasey, Evans and Hersey.

Probably there has never convened within the history of our Order a National Encampment in which there was more interest, or one upon whose action depended in so great a measure the future welfare of the Grand Army of the Republic. Much had transpired during the year that had caused a widespread and general feeling of regret and disappointment. In the excitement of the hour members of the Order had publicly condemned the Chief Executive of the nation for his action in regard to certain pension legislation, and although the Order was in no wise responsible for the impolitic and unwise utterances of some of its members, yet some of the large and influential papers of the land sought to make it appear that the Grand Army of the Republic was drifting into politics. The situation was certainly somewhat critical, a step in the wrong direction would involve us in trouble; public sentiment, which is so unanimously in our favor, and upon which we so much depend, would have become divided, and the consequences have been disastrous. I am happy to be able to state that right grandly and nobly were the issues met; some of the best men in our ranks, throwing aside their political associations and preferences for the time, stood loyally by the Order, and in language most patriotic placed the Grand Army of the Republic before the country as the great Fraternal, Charitable and Loyal institution that it really is, and as every fair-minded editor even must believe, perfectly non-political, non-partisan and non-sectarian.

The amendment to the Rules and Regulations for the unseating of the Past Department Commanders in the National Encampment was defeated, and I am inclined to think that it was properly disposed of, and yet I recognized that the proper settlement of this question is one of vast importance, as it involves more or less the democratic principle upon which our institution must be governed. I suppose that it will be conceded on all sides that the safety of our Order rests among other things, upon the preservation of this democratic principle, or in other words, in the principle that the will of the majority must and shall prevail; anything, therefore, that tends to thwart or overrule the will of the majority is undemocratic, and consequently unsafe. If the Department Encampment after thorough investigation instructs its delegates, as they certainly have a right to do, then it is the duty of the delegates to vote in accordance with the expressed wish of the Encampment; otherwise, they are not representing the majority. The question then arises, are the Past Department Commanders representatives? I answer, most certainly yes; they were made by the suffrages of their comrades eligible to seats in the National Encampment. While they were active Commanders they would not think of disregarding the instructions of the Department Encampment, and the simple fact of having become a Past Commander certainly does not confer more power or more liberty. I said that I thought the question was wisely disposed of by the National Encampment, and I repeat it again. As I recognize the importance of the democratic principle, so also do I recognize the benefit to the Order of the Past Department Commanders, familiar as they are by long experience with the workings of our institution. However much some of them may have differed with some of us upon important questions, the fact remains nevertheless that they have earned and well earned, as you all know, the honor that belongs to the office. Let us not debar them from seats in the National Encampment, but rather let us seek to have the Rules and Regulations amended, if necessary, so that all the representatives, if they vote at all, shall vote in accordance with the expressed wish of the Department Encampments. If this recommendation be adopted, I think the trouble will be overcome, and while we shall have preserved the true democratic principle of government, we shall also have saved to the Order the value of the experience of the Past Department Commanders.

I respectfully recommend, as my predecessors have done, that the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated for the traveling and hotel expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty, and when not otherwise provided for, and also of any other Department Officer when acting in his stead.

I also recommend as has been done heretofore, that the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-

General to the National Encampment be paid by the Department, and that the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated for extra clerk hire in the office of the Assistant Adjutant-General.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The reports show that in every city, town and hamlet in the Commonwealth, wherever a Post of the Grand Army exists, the day was fittingly observed, that the graves of our comrades gone before were properly decorated, and tokens of remembrance offered to the memory of the unreturned. To the members of the Grand Army the day grows more sacred as time goes on. May the memories of a grand past, which cluster about it, tend to unite us more closely, and inspire us to noble, unselfish deeds, that we may become better comrades and better men. Memorial Day: long may the beautiful custom be observed, that once a year at least a grateful nation may pause in its onward march and pay homage to the memory of its citizens, whose patriotism and courage made it possible that in this fair land there is today but one country, one flag, one destiny.

THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

To the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, I desire to extend my personal thanks for the many courtesies received at their hands during my term of office. I desire also to commend the loyal women of this Order for the good work they have undertaken. When I contemplate that in a few years the Posts of the Grand Army will, in consequence of their depleted ranks, be obliged to surrender their charters; when the fostering care of the Relief Committees of today shall cease, then it is that I can see that this institution, in addition to the great work that it is doing today, will be of incalculable benefit. They will be the great reserve upon which the thin picket-line of the Grand Army of a few years hence will be obliged to fall back, and right nobly, I believe, they will care for the old veterans of the future with a devotion and tenderness equalled only by the loyal women of a quarter of a century ago. Then in your name, comrades, I bid them All Hail and God-speed.

ROLL OF HONOR.

As we gather in our Encampment today, comrades, there is one pleasant and familiar face that is missing, and a sense of the great loss we have sustained pervades all our hearts. Since last we met Past Department Commander George H. Patch has been summoned to join that innumerable throng that has passed beyond the confines of earth. Engaged in a profession that gave him opportunity, and possessed of those qualities of mind and heart that prompted him to noble things, he was always ready,

with voice and pen, to advocate the interests of our noble association. His great heart caused him to sympathize with his friends when misfortune and trouble had overtaken them, and likewise to rejoice with them in their prosperity. My personal friend as well as my comrade, he was an ever-welcome visitor at my home, where we shall always hold him in pleasant remembrance. In our Department Encampments, at our camp-fires and in our councils, we shall miss his eloquent voice and his great helpfulness. While he lived we loved him as a brother, and now that he has gone we will hold him in grateful remembrance for his devotion to the cause of the Grand Army of the Republic. Let us seek to emulate his virtues, that our banner may be kept where he helped to place it, in the forefront of the great charitable institutions of the world. Brave, kind-hearted, genial friend and comrade, for a short time we will bid him farewell; one by one the "boys" will go out to meet him, until finally, as we believe, we shall all join in the reassembling of the Grand Army on the other side.

And still another face that was always welcome at our Encampments has gone out from among us to join the fast-gathering ranks on the other side. Past Department Commander A. B. Underwood died at his home in Boston, Jan. 14, 1888. In obedience to the wish of his comrades he was called to fill the office of Department Commander for the year 1873, and discharged its duties with ability, honor and credit. A brave man and a true friend, honest and faithful to every trust, he has lived long in that he has lived well. He has travelled on to the end of his journey whither we are all tending, and has left behind him a record worthy of our emulation.

Two hundred and sixty-five of our comrades who were with us a year ago now answer to the roll call on the other side. Thus the roll of honor, like the shadows of the departing day, is ever lengthening, and as in the eventide we watch the sun as it sinks to rest, so also one by one we see our comrades go to their rest, and as they go and we linger about them in memory and recall the noble qualities of those who were once strong, great-hearted men, let us feel thankful that we knew them, that they were with us in this great work of ours, and while we resolve to cherish their memory, we will close up the ranks, and in the spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty take care of those whom the dead have left for our protection.

THE PATCH MEMORIAL FUND.

As the result of the circular issued last July in the interest of the Patch Memorial Fund, the sum of \$3,195.98 was collected and has been turned over to Mrs. Patch. The result of this appeal, as was expected, was generous and hearty and character

istic of the comrades of this Department when appealed to in behalf of a worthy cause. Our memorial, comrades, does not consist of granite, marble or bronze, but it is a tribute to the memory of our friend and comrade which, we believe, he would have preferred; it has become a part of the history of our Order, and its influence for good will live long after the Grand Army of the Republic has passed away. For your contributions to this fund, comrades, I desire to extend my thanks, and to assure you that with a grateful and thankful heart your offerings were accepted.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

The excellent reports of the Trustees and officers of the Soldiers' Home is conclusive proof that the comrade who conceived the idea, and who devoted so much of his time and means to its establishment made no mistake, for since its doors were opened there have been sheltered within its hospitable walls, six hundred and eighty-five old veterans, without friends to care for them, and no place in the world that they could call home; who, were it not for this haven of rest, would be obliged to seek shelter in the almshouses of the Commonwealth. Of these men many are old and infirm, and all of them unable, by reason of physical disability, to support themselves. The necessities of this Home have been fully demonstrated in the past, and as the veterans of that grand old Army of the Union become enfeebled by age and broken in health, its capacity will be taxed to the utmost to provide and care for them in the future. Let us hope, then, that from the large number of kindly disposed and charitable people of our grand old Commonwealth, who are making bequests to worthy institutions, some may be found who consider this a sufficiently worthy object upon which to bestow a part of their bounty. The management of the Home is creditable alike to the Trustees and officers, and it stands today a model institution of its kind, and a monument to the glory and credit of the Grand Army of this Department and to the sagacity, foresight and great-heartedness of Past Department Commander Horace Binney Sargent.

PENSIONS.

This much talked of and more or less abused question still agitates the Grand Army of the Republic to some extent, and in all probability will continue to until some law is enacted granting a pension to all soldiers and sailors for service, who served in the army and navy during the War of the Rebellion. Nor do I see any particular harm in the discussion of this question more than any other, providing that it is carried on in the right spirit, and in a manner becoming comrades and gentlemen. My investiga-

tions lead me to think that there is not so very much difference between us after all upon this question, certainly not so much as one would think, judging from the tone of some of the papers published in the supposed interest of the service pension cause. We are all of the opinion that pensions should be granted to those who were in anywise disabled while in the service of their country. We believe also in the justness of the provisions of what is known as the Dependent Pension Bill, which provides for all veteran soldiers and sailors who have become disabled since the war by reason of mental or physical disability, and to the widows and orphans of those who have died; and a majority of us think that a broader measure still should be adopted, embracing every honorably discharged soldier and sailor who served in the army or navy from 1861 to 1865. I can see no particular difference in the principle involved in these last two measures. If the Dependent Pension Bill becomes a law, as it certainly ought to, it will not grant pensions because of disabilities incurred while in the service only, but because of the fact that service has been rendered. If I am correct, then it would seem that we differ more in the application than in the principle of pension laws, some of us believing that only those who are unable to support themselves should be pensioned, while others think that the time has arrived when all should come under the operations of the law. For reasons which seem to me valid, I am free to say that I believe in the principle of paying pensions for service, — in fact it is nothing new, the government has paid pensions for service to the soldiers engaged in all its wars heretofore.

The principle then having been established, the only question to be determined is, at what time shall the government begin the payment of these pensions to the soldiers of the War of the Rebellion? It seems to me that it is but just that the severity and extent of the conflict should be considered in determining this point. If it was right to begin the payment of pensions for service to the veterans of the Mexican War thirty-nine years after the close of that war, then in my opinion the time has arrived when the payment should begin to the veterans of the War of the Rebellion, for it is the testimony of no less an authority than General Grant that there was more severe fighting in one day in the last war than there was in the whole two years of the Mexican War.

Believing that the pension bill as recommended by the National Pension Committee will, if it becomes law, be of great benefit to a large number of comrades and to many widows and orphans, and probably all that can be obtained at present, I respectfully recommend the endorsement of that measure.

I also recommend that the principle of Service Pension be endorsed by this Encampment, and that all honorable means be used to advance the interests of that measure. Finally, comrades,

I most earnestly recommend, both for the cause of all pension legislation and for the best interests of the Grand Army, that we stop quarrelling among ourselves upon this important question. If we cannot agree, then let us agree to disagree, for with our forces divided we cannot expect to accomplish much in any direction; but united we can become a strong factor in the moulding of public opinion, and a power in securing the desired legislation. Let us set the seal of our disapproval upon the practice that prevails in some quarters of abusing some of the best comrades in our Order, because they do not agree with us upon this question. It is not argument, and not only hurts the cause they seek to advance, but is a source of trouble which, if persevered in, will result in no good to our Order. Let us accord to each other an honesty of purpose worthy a comrade and a gentleman, and seek to advance the cause we think right in the spirit of Fraternity and Charity.

“THE GRAND ARMY RECORD.”

I respectfully call your attention to *The Grand Army Record*, a paper published in Boston in the interest of our Order, by Comrade Thomas Keefe. Its columns are open at all times to communications upon any subject that pertains to the interest of this Department, and to the Grand Army in general. While I may not agree with it upon some questions, yet in these days when so many papers which are published in the interest of the Grand Army are indulging in so much personal abuse, it is refreshing to find one editor who keeps his columns free from it. For this I commend the *Record*, and hope the comrades throughout the Department will send in their subscriptions and give it their support.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

The duties of the Assistant Adjutant-General have been performed in the same faithful manner that has characterized Comrade Monroe's management for so long a time. With one hundred and eighty-nine Posts to deal with, besides the other business that pertains to the office, requires much time and attention, and the fact that his reports are received at National Headquarters among the very first is proof of his efficiency. A faithful officer and a true friend, long may he continue to fill the office of Assistant Adjutant-General of the Department of Massachusetts.

The important duties devolving upon the Assistant Quartermaster-General have been faithfully performed during the year by the *Wright* comrade, and when everything is right, it is impossible to be wrong; long may the Assistant Quartermaster-General continue to be *Wright*.

The Judge Advocate, Comrade Keefe, has discharged the duties of his office with credit and ability. Several questions of importance have been submitted for his consideration, to each of which he has rendered an opinion which I have no doubt will meet with your approval as it has with mine. I respectfully call your attention to the recommendations contained in his report.

The office of Department Inspector has been ably filled during the year by Comrade B. Read Wales. To the discharge of the duties of this office Comrade Wales brought the ability that comes with experience, and the Department is indebted to him for many suggestions which enables it to take first rank among the Departments of the country.

To the members of the Council of Administration and to each and all of the officers of my official and personal Staff, who have contributed so much to whatever of success has attended my administration, I desire to return my personal thanks; and although today our official connections, which have been so pleasant to me, will be severed, I hope and trust that I may take with me as I retire, your personal friendship and good-will, which I prize so highly.

VETERANS' RIGHTS UNION AND EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

For the details of the business of the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, I respectfully refer you to the report of the Superintendent, Comrade Hapgood. The last Encampment, it will be remembered, voted that the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated from the funds of the Department for the use of this Bureau. It is quite unnecessary, I presume, for me to remind you that it will be impossible to appropriate a like sum this year, without increasing the *per capita* tax still more, which would be, were it possible, a very unwise thing to do. As there is much doubt in the minds of many of the comrades in regard to the continuance of the Bureau, I respectfully suggest that the report of the Superintendent be referred to a committee, with instructions to report to the Encampment such action as it may think advisable for the best interests of all concerned.

CONCLUSION.

Comrades, as I turn back to you the trusts which you so unanimously placed in my keeping a year ago, allow me to extend to you my most sincere thanks for the great honor you then conferred upon me. I accepted the office with a full sense of its responsibility and approached it, I confess, with a certain degree of doubt and hesitancy. I comprehended the fact that there was not that feeling of good-fellowship that had existed in our ranks heretofore, that we had not only become divided upon an important question, but that personal animosities were entering largely

into the contest, and if not stopped the consequences would be ruinous. This state of things was not pleasant to contemplate; but thanks to the Great Commander of us all, the fog of distrust and ill-feeling is lifting, and the bright sunshine of Fraternity and good-will is returning. Let us all sincerely hope that our noble old ship will encounter no more such experiences; but that from this on, until she takes us all safely into port, it may sail in the calm waters of brotherly love. May the great work for which we are organized go bravely on to the end that suffering may be relieved and humanity benefitted. As I look back today over the year that has gone, the retrospect, while dotted here and there with shadow, is in the main pleasant. The friendships that have been formed, the kindly words of encouragement and good-will from those who have preceded me in this office, and the cordial reception that has been given me on all sides will be among the pleasantest memories for me in the future. As I retire from this honorable position, the importance of the Grand Army never seemed greater than at present. We have passed the meridian of our existence and find ourselves now in the afternoon of life; with the advancing years the infirmities of age increase, and the calls upon our charities grow larger. We have made a grand record in the past and let us see to it, comrades, that nothing shall interfere to prevent its continuance to the end. Accept if you please my best wishes for the prosperity of the several Posts you have the honor to represent, and for yourselves individually and to the end let us be

“ Comrades known in marches many,
 Comrades tried in dangers many,
 Comrades bound by memories many,
 Brothers ever let us be.
 Wounds or sickness may divide us,
 Marching orders may divide us,
 But whatever fate betide us,
 Brothers still in heart we'll be.

Comrades known by faith the clearest,
 Tried when death was near and nearest,
 Bound we are by ties the dearest,
 Brothers evermore to be.
 And if spared and growing older,
 Shoulder still in line with shoulder,
 And with hearts no thrill the colder,
 Brothers ever let us be.

By communion of the banner,
 Crimson, white and starry banner,
 By the baptism of the banner,
 Brothers of one church are we.
 Creed nor faction can divide us,
 Race nor language can divide us,
 For, whatever fate betide us,
 Comrades of one flag are we.”

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1888.

CHARLES D. NASH, *Department Commander.*

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report of the business transacted in this office the past year: —

| | |
|---|--------|
| Number of Posts Dec. 31, 1886 | 185 |
| “ comrades same date | 19,497 |
| “ Posts Dec. 31, 1887 | 189 |
| “ comrades reported same date | 20,251 |
| Net gain during the year | 754 |

The net gain by quarters is shown by the quarterly reports to be as follows, viz.: —

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| First quarter, ending March 31 | 188 |
| Second quarter, ending June 30 | 400 |
| Third quarter, ending Sept. 30 | 111 |
| Fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31 | 55 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---|--------|
| Number of comrades in good standing Dec. 31, 1886 | 19,497 |
| “ “ gained by muster | 1,455 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 325 |
| “ “ “ reinstatement | 1,511 |
| Total number gained | 3,291 |
| Aggregate | 22,788 |
| Number of comrades lost by death | 269 |
| “ “ “ honorable discharge | 79 |
| “ “ “ transfer | 432 |
| “ “ “ suspension | 1,750 |
| “ “ “ dishonorable discharge | 7 |
| Total loss | 2,537 |
| Number remaining in good standing | 20,251 |
| Excess of gains over losses | 754 |

I herewith present a detailed report of the changes that have taken place in each Post the past year.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1887.

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate. | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|--------------|------------|----------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain * | | By Death | By Honorable Discharge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Discharged | Total Loss | |
| Win. Logan Rodman..... | 1 | 266 | 27 | 4 | 6 | 37 | 303 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 4 | ..... | 20 | 283 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 252 | 19 | 5 | 3 | 27 | 279 | 5 | ..... | 1 | 6 | ..... | 12 | 267 |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 177 | 37 | 5 | 14 | 56 | 233 | 6 | ..... | 2 | 3 | ..... | 11 | 222 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 76 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 84 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 6 | ..... | 9 | 75 |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 1007 | 22 | 5 | 257 | 284 | 1291 | 20 | ..... | 1 | 273 | ..... | 294 | 997 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 50 | 5 | ..... | 2 | 7 | 57 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 6 | 51 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell..... | 7 | 513 | 46 | 9 | 33 | 88 | 601 | 13 | ..... | 10 | 48 | ..... | 72 | 529 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 85 | 13 | 1 | ..... | 14 | 99 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | ..... | 8 | 91 |
| Reno..... | 9 | 93 | 2 | 1 | 23 | 26 | 119 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 28 | ..... | 30 | 89 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 633 | 21 | 9 | 28 | 58 | 691 | 6 | ..... | 8 | 33 | ..... | 47 | 644 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 247 | 42 | 7 | 13 | 62 | 309 | 2 | ..... | 5 | 6 | ..... | 13 | 296 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 212 | 5 | ..... | 4 | 9 | 221 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 | ..... | 18 | 203 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 205 | 12 | 4 | 8 | 24 | 229 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 | ..... | 11 | 218 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 27 | 2 | ..... | 17 | 19 | 46 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 18 | ..... | 20 | 26 |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 556 | 47 | 11 | 31 | 89 | 645 | 10 | 3 | 16 | 85 | ..... | 114 | 531 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 504 | 24 | 6 | 6 | 36 | 540 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 24 | ..... | 34 | 506 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 107 | 22 | ..... | 1 | 23 | 130 | 2 | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 126 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 37 | 1 | ..... | 9 | 10 | 47 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 42 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 243 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 255 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 252 |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 30 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 31 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 30 |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 57 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 58 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | 7 | 51 |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 141 | 8 | 6 | 10 | 24 | 165 | 2 | ..... | 3 | 6 | ..... | 11 | 154 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 137 | 16 | ..... | 5 | 21 | 158 | 3 | ..... | 3 | 5 | ..... | 11 | 147 |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 69 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 4 | 73 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 9 | ..... | 15 | 58 |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 37 | 4 | ..... | 3 | 7 | 44 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 42 |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 192 | 26 | 4 | 19 | 49 | 241 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 2 | ..... | 13 | 228 |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | 44 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 46 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 4 | ..... | 5 | 41 |
| George D. Wells..... | 28 | 32 | 2 | ..... | 2 | 34 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 34 | ..... |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 128 | 17 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 148 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 144 |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | 294 | 15 | 2 | 27 | 44 | 338 | 1 | ..... | 13 | 31 | ..... | 45 | 293 |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | 63 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 64 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 62 |
| Washington..... | 32 | 84 | 22 | 1 | 5 | 28 | 112 | 1 | ..... | 7 | 6 | ..... | 14 | 98 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 85 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 95 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 | ..... | 12 | 83 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 302 | 22 | 6 | 20 | 48 | 350 | 7 | ..... | 6 | 2 | ..... | 15 | 335 |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 410 | 6 | 9 | 106 | 121 | 531 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 112 | ..... | 128 | 403 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 54 | 8 | 1 | ..... | 9 | 63 | 3 | ..... | 1 | 7 | ..... | 11 | 52 |
| Frazer A. Stearns..... | 37 | 101 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 106 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 6 | ..... | 10 | 96 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 67 | 5 | 3 | ..... | 8 | 75 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | 4 | 71 |
| Needham..... | 39 | 345 | 16 | 1 | ..... | 7 | 362 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 9 | 353 |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 145 | 19 | 3 | 4 | 26 | 171 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 4 | ..... | 12 | 159 |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 160 | 4 | ..... | 5 | 9 | 169 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 11 | ..... | 18 | 151 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 306 | 15 | 2 | 17 | 34 | 340 | 5 | ..... | 6 | 5 | ..... | 16 | 324 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 140 | 5 | ..... | 2 | 7 | 147 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 3 | ..... | 9 | 138 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 31 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 27 |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 186 | 23 | 2 | 1 | 26 | 212 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 3 | ..... | 10 | 202 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 225 | 64 | 4 | 37 | 105 | 330 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 65 | ..... | 76 | 254 |
| Major How..... | 47 | 304 | 25 | 3 | 51 | 79 | 383 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 56 | ..... | 63 | 320 |
| George S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 53 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 60 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | 1 | ..... | 55 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 230 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 250 | 4 | 1 | 10 | 5 | ..... | 20 | 230 |
| Union..... | 50 | 140 | 9 | 2 | 9 | 20 | 160 | ..... | ..... | 13 | ..... | ..... | 14 | 146 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 61 | 4 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 66 | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 65 |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 72 | 5 | ..... | 3 | 8 | 80 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 15 | ..... | 20 | 60 |
| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | 116 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 132 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 130 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | 23 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 23 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 21 |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | 40 | 4 | 1 | ..... | 5 | 45 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 3 | 42 |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 145 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 14 | 159 | 1 | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 155 |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 154 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 172 | 4 | ..... | 5 | 1 | ..... | 10 | 162 |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 190 | 2 | ..... | 355 | 357 | 547 | 4 | ..... | 3 | 350 | ..... | 357 | 190 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 29 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 29 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 26 |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 76 | ..... | 1 | 5 | 6 | 82 | 1 | ..... | 3 | 3 | ..... | 7 | 75 |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 96 | 3 | ..... | 4 | 7 | 103 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 3 | ..... | 5 | 98 |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | 115 | 11 | 8 | 5 | 24 | 139 | 2 | 2 | | 6 | | 10 | 129 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 190 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 19 | 209 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | | 5 | 204 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining good standing. |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | Total Gain | | By Death | By Honorable Dis- charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Dis- charged | Total Loss | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 80 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 17 | 97 | .... | 1 | 2 | 6 | .... | 9 | 88 |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 37 | .... | 1 | 5 | 6 | 43 | .... | .... | 3 | 3 | .... | 6 | 37 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 108 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 116 | .... | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | 4 | 112 |
| Allen..... | 67 | 48 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 50 | 1 | .... | 2 | .... | .... | 3 | 47 |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 256 | 14 | 8 | 8 | 30 | 286 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 15 | .... | 23 | 263 |
| Joseph P. Rice..... | 69 | 26 | .... | .... | 3 | 3 | 29 | 2 | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | 5 | 24 |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | 49 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 13 | 62 | .... | 1 | 4 | 9 | .... | 14 | 48 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 139 | 8 | 5 | .... | 13 | 152 | 2 | .... | 2 | 8 | .... | 12 | 140 |
| A. St. John Chambré..... | 72 | 66 | 1 | 1 | .... | 2 | 68 | 2 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | 65 |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 81 | .... | .... | .... | 8 | 89 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 89 |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 119 | 5 | 1 | .... | 6 | 125 | 3 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 4 | 121 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 97 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 109 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | .... | 9 | 100 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 146 | 5 | .... | .... | 5 | 151 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 148 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 25 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 27 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 27 |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 126 | .... | .... | 2 | 4 | 130 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | .... | 10 | 120 |
| Charles D. Sanford..... | 79 | 111 | 12 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 131 | .... | 2 | 1 | 12 | .... | 15 | 116 |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 97 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 13 | 110 | 2 | .... | 3 | 2 | .... | 7 | 103 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 63 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 70 | 1 | .... | 2 | 6 | .... | 9 | 61 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 176 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 14 | 190 | 3 | .... | 1 | 4 | .... | 8 | 182 |
| Joseph E. Wilder..... | 83 | 29 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 30 | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 3 | 27 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 22 | .... | .... | 7 | 7 | 29 | .... | .... | 5 | 4 | .... | 9 | 20 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 40 | .... | .... | 1 | 5 | 45 | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 3 | 42 |
| William L. Baker..... | 86 | 217 | 26 | 6 | 1 | 33 | 250 | 1 | 1 | 6 | .... | .... | 8 | 242 |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | 69 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 75 | 1 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 5 | 70 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 91 | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | 95 | 3 | .... | 2 | 3 | .... | 8 | 87 |
| John H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 180 | 4 | 4 | 18 | 26 | 206 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 5 | .... | 23 | 188 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 168 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 10 | 178 | 3 | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | 6 | 172 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 32 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 35 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 4 | 31 |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 72 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 25 | 97 | .... | 1 | .... | 3 | .... | 4 | 93 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 68 | 7 | .... | 1 | 8 | 76 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 75 |
| Revere..... | 94 | 70 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 71 | 1 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | 3 | 68 |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks..... | 95 | 54 | 4 | .... | 7 | 11 | 65 | 1 | .... | 1 | 7 | .... | 9 | 56 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 28 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 30 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 30 |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 53 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 61 | .... | .... | .... | 9 | .... | .... | 52 |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | 30 | 2 | 2 | .... | 4 | 31 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | 33 |
| Gen. Wm. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 54 | 3 | .... | 1 | 4 | 58 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 56 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 73 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 80 | 2 | .... | 1 | 5 | .... | 8 | 72 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 53 | 5 | .... | 4 | 9 | 62 | .... | .... | 1 | 7 | .... | 8 | 54 |
| Huntington F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 57 | 4 | 1 | .... | 5 | 62 | 1 | .... | 1 | 3 | .... | 5 | 57 |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 68 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 75 | .... | .... | 3 | 5 | .... | 8 | 67 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 60 | 1 | .... | 2 | 3 | 63 | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 3 | 60 |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 40 | 2 | .... | 1 | 3 | 43 | .... | 2 | 3 | 9 | .... | 14 | 29 |
| Otis W. Wallace..... | 106 | 56 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 58 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 57 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 48 | 8 | .... | .... | 8 | 56 | 2 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 6 | 50 |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 83 | 3 | 4 | 15 | 22 | 105 | 1 | .... | 1 | 15 | .... | 17 | 88 |
| Eriesson..... | 109 | 46 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 14 | 60 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | 56 |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 67 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 13 | 80 | .... | 2 | .... | 7 | .... | 9 | 71 |
| Joseph E. Simmons..... | 111 | 31 | 5 | .... | 2 | 7 | 38 | .... | 5 | 5 | .... | .... | 10 | 28 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 48 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 49 | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | .... | 5 | 44 |
| Edward W. Kinsey..... | 113 | 108 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 14 | 122 | 2 | .... | 8 | 2 | .... | 12 | 110 |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 56 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 58 | .... | .... | 4 | 3 | .... | 7 | 51 |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 30 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 31 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | 27 |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 96 | 9 | 4 | 25 | 38 | 134 | 2 | .... | 2 | 32 | .... | 36 | 98 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 34 | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 36 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 36 |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 34 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 34 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 32 |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 38 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 38 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | 37 |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 263 | 10 | 7 | 2 | 19 | 282 | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | 5 | 277 |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 141 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 158 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 8 | .... | 21 | 137 |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 74 | 5 | .... | 4 | 9 | 83 | 1 | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | 3 | 80 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 101 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 13 | 114 | .... | .... | 7 | .... | .... | 7 | 107 |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 52 | 7 | .... | 3 | 10 | 62 | 2 | .... | 1 | 4 | .... | 7 | 55 |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 202 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 214 | 3 | 1 | 49 | 21 | 1 | 75 | 139 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 71 | 1 | | 12 | 13 | 84 | | | 1 | 22 | | 23 | 61 |

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| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | No. in good standing, last report | GAIN | | | | Aggregate | LOSS | | | | | | Number remaining in good standing |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|--------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | By Muster in | By Transfer | By Reinstatement | T. tal Gain | | By Death | By Honorabl charge | By Transfer | Suspended | Dishonorably Dis-charged | Total Loss | |
| T. L. Bouney..... | 127 | 32 | ... | 1 | 12 | 13 | 45 | 1 | ... | ... | 15 | ... | 16 | 29 |
| Gen. James Appleton..... | 128 | 106 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 115 | 1 | ... | ... | 19 | ... | 20 | 95 |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | 29 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 31 | ... | ... | 3 | 9 | ... | 12 | 19 |
| James M. Sargent..... | 130 | 41 | 8 | 2 | ... | 11 | 52 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 50 |
| George M. Thomas..... | 131 | 50 | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | 53 | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 49 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 62 | 6 | 2 | ... | 8 | 70 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 67 |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | 22 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 18 | 40 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 37 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 50 | 10 | ... | 4 | 14 | 64 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 4 | 60 |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 25 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 26 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 25 |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 41 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 42 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 40 |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 32 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 39 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | 35 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 73 | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 79 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 78 |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 117 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 30 | 147 | 4 | ... | 7 | 3 | ... | 14 | 133 |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 84 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 12 | 96 | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 6 | 90 |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 50 | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 53 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 50 |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 30 | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | 33 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 28 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 45 | ... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 47 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 47 |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 90 | 5 | ... | 1 | 6 | 96 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 93 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 107 | 14 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 128 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 127 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 19 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 112 | 3 | ... | 8 | 11 | 123 | 3 | 2 | 13 | 20 | ... | 38 | 85 |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 22 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 |
| Maj. George L. Stearus..... | 149 | 57 | 14 | 1 | 8 | 23 | 80 | 1 | ... | 4 | 8 | ... | 13 | 67 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 39 |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 13 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 12 |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 42 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42 |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 63 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 70 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | 5 | 65 |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 50 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 48 |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 53 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 61 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 61 |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 64 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 72 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 70 |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | 40 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 41 | 1 | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 6 | 35 |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser..... | 158 | 44 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 46 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 41 |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | 138 | 15 | 2 | ... | 17 | 155 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | 5 | 150 |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 33 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 37 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 31 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 63 | 6 | 2 | ... | 8 | 71 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 69 |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 61 | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 65 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 64 |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 54 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 61 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 60 |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 23 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25 |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 48 | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 50 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 48 |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 70 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 74 | 1 | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | 7 | 67 |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 19 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 16 | 35 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 33 |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 60 | 11 | 4 | ... | 13 | 73 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 71 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 43 | 7 | 3 | ... | 10 | 53 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 49 |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 41 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 48 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 5 | 43 |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 25 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 26 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 23 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 19 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 41 | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 46 |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 95 | 6 | 2 | ... | 8 | 103 | 2 | ... | 3 | 9 | ... | 14 | 89 |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 20 | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 23 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | 65 | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 69 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 68 |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 33 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 34 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 34 |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 22 | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 27 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 24 |
| Samue F. Woods..... | 179 | 46 | 7 | ... | ... | 7 | 53 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 51 |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | 58 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 65 | 4 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 7 | 58 |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 37 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 44 | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 6 | 38 |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton..... | 182 | 25 | 7 | 1 | ... | 8 | 33 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33 |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | 33 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 35 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 34 |
| Sergeant Plunkett..... | 184 | 38 | ... | 2 | 2 | 4 | 42 | 2 | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 9 | 33 |
| Ladd and Whitney..... | 185 | 235 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 15 | 250 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 247 |
| John A. Logan..... | 186 | ... | 54 | 19 | ... | 73 | 73 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 73 |
| Hancock..... | 187 | ... | 35 | 3 | ... | 38 | 38 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 37 |
| Preston..... | 188 | ... | 31 | ... | ... | 31 | 31 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31 |
| David Church..... | 189 | ... | 19 | 2 | ... | 21 | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 |

Of the one hundred and eighty-nine Posts comprising this Department, one hundred and twelve have gained in membership : twelve have the same number as one year ago, and sixty-five have lost in number. Post 46, Fall River, has made the largest gain by the mustering of new recruits. Number of rejections during the year, fifty-two. Two hundred and sixty-nine comrades have died during the year ; an excess over last year of twenty-three.

Four new Posts have been mustered during the year, as follows : —

John A. Logan Post No. 186 of Cambridgeport ; mustered Jan. 13, 1887 ; charter members, 55.

Hancock Post No. 187 of Dalton ; mustered April 7, 1887 ; charter members, 34.

Preston Post No. 188 of Beverly Farms ; mustered April 28, 1887 ; charter members, 30.

David Church Post No. 189 of Marshfield ; mustered Sept. 15, 1887 ; charter members, 14.

The gain of Posts by counties is as follows : Middlesex, one ; Berkshire, one ; Essex, one ; Plymouth, one. Total, four.

I herewith present a tabulated report, giving in detail the strength of each county, number of each Post, the number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1887, with date of charter.

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 132, Sandwich, | 47, | Feb. 24, 1882 |
| 141, Harwich, | 50, | Mar. 15, 1882 |
| 55, Provincetown, | 42, | Sept. 23, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 3; members, 139. | | |

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 79, North Adams, | 116, | Mar. 20, 1869 |
| 125, Pittsfield, | 139, | Mar. 10, 1882 |
| 126, Adams, | 61, | June 12, 1870 |
| 158, Housatonic, | 41, | Aug. 23, 1863 |
| 177, Lee, | 34, | Nov. 6, 1884 |
| 178, Otis, | 24, | Nov. 28, 1884 |
| 187, Dalton, | 37, | April 7, 1887 |
| Total — Posts, 7; members, 452. | | |

BRISTOL COUNTY.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 1, New Bedford, | 283, | Oct. 4, 1866 |
| 3, Taunton, | 222, | Jan. 2, 1867 |
| 46, Fall River, | 254, | Jan. 22, 1868 |
| 52, South Easton, | 60, | Feb. 29, 1868 |
| 145, Attleboro, | 127, | June 6, 1871 |
| 146, New Bedford, | 21, | April 27, 1881 |
| 170, Mansfield, | 43, | July 31, 1884 |
| 182, Somerset, | 33, | Oct. 16, 1885 |
| Total — Posts, 8; members, 1,043. | | |

ESSEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 5, Lynn, | 997, | Feb. 27, 1867 |
| 34, Salem, | 335, | Nov. 15, 1867 |
| 39, Lawrence, | 353, | Dec. 10, 1867 |
| 45, Gloucester, | 202, | Jan. 21, 1868 |
| 47, Haverhill, | 320, | Jan. 28, 1868 |
| 49, Newburyport, | 230, | Feb. 17, 1868 |
| 50, Peabody, | 146, | April 28, 1879 |
| 67, Manchester, | 47, | Sept. 29, 1868 |
| 82, Marblehead, | 182, | Mar. 29, 1880 |
| 89, Beverly, | 183, | June 5, 1869 |
| 90, Danvers, | 172, | June 8, 1869 |
| 95, Saugus, | 56, | June 4, 1869 |
| 99, Andover, | 56, | April 18, 1881 |
| 100, Methuen, | 72, | Feb. 1, 1887 |
| 101, Groveland, | 54, | July 16, 1869 |
| 106, Rockport, | 57, | Dec. 30, 1881 |
| 108, Georgetown, | 88, | Aug. 19, 1868 |
| 114, Merrimac, | 51, | Dec. 20, 1869 |
| 118, Swampscott, | 32, | Jan. 24, 1870 |
| 122, Amesbury, | 82, | Mar. 23, 1870 |
| 128, Ipswich, | 95, | Jan. 17, 1882 |
| 151, West Newbury, | 12, | Jan. 10, 1874 |
| 152, Essex, | 42, | Jan. 22, 1883 |
| 188, Beverly Farms, | 31, | April 28, 1887 |
| Total — Posts, 24; members, 3,893. | | |

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------|------|---------------|
| 17, Orange, | 126, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 20, Colerain, | 30, | March 4, 1875 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 84, South Deerfield, | 20, | April 17, 1872 |
| 93, Shelburne Falls, | 75, | June 15, 1869 |
| 150, Montague, | 38, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 162, Turners Falls, | 44, | Jan. 25, 1884 |
| 164, Conway, | 25, | April 29, 1884 |
| 171, Northfield, | 23, | Aug. 15, 1884 |
| 174, Greenfield, | 89, | Aug. 29, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 9; members, 470. | | |

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 16, Springfield, | 506, | Aug. 9, 1867 |
| 41, Westfield, | 151, | Jan. 9, 1868 |
| 71, Holyoke, | 140, | Nov. 25, 1868 |
| 103, Chicopee, | 67, | Oct. 7, 1879 |
| 107, Palmer, | 50, | July 18, 1881 |
| 155, Monson, | 61, | May 26, 1883 |
| 183, S. Hadley, | 34, | Jan. 14, 1886 |
| Total — Posts, 7; members, 1,009. | | |

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 85, Ware, | 42, | May 12, 1869 |
| 86, Northampton, | 242, | Aug. 4, 1882 |
| 97, Belchertown, | 52, | Nov. 23, 1872 |
| 147, Amherst, | 85, | Oct. 31, 1882 |
| 166, East Hampton, | 67, | June 17, 1884 |
| 176, Huntington, | 68, | Oct. 9, 1884 |
| Total — Posts, 6; members, 556. | | |

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

| | | |
|--------------------|------|---------------|
| 4, Melrose, | 75, | Feb. 19, 1867 |
| 6, Holliston, | 51, | March 8, 1867 |
| 9, Hudson, | 89, | May 27, 1867 |
| 12, Wakefield, | 203, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 14, Hopkinton, | 26, | July, 1882 |
| 18, Ashland, | 42, | Aug. 12, 1867 |
| 29, Waltham, | 144, | Oct. 21, 1867 |
| 30, Cambridgeport, | 293, | Oct. 23, 1867 |
| 33, Woburn, | 88, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 36, Arlington, | 52, | May 26, 1881 |
| 40, Malden, | 159, | Oct. 1, 1873 |
| 42, Lowell, | 324, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 43, Marlboro, | 138, | Jan. 15, 1868 |
| 48, Ayer, | 55, | Jan. 18, 1868 |
| 56, Cambridge, | 155, | June 26, 1868 |
| 57, E. Cambridge, | 162, | June 29, 1868 |
| 62, Newton, | 129, | July 21, 1868 |
| 63, Natick, | 204, | July 23, 1868 |
| 66, Medford, | 112, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 75, Stoneham, | 100, | Dec. 15, 1869 |
| 81, Watertown, | 61, | Dec. 20, 1871 |
| 115, Groton, | 27, | July 30, 1874 |
| 119, Lexington, | 37, | |
| 120, Lowell, | 277, | Oct. 26, 1881 |
| 138, Acton, | 78, | May 2, 1883 |
| 139, Somerville, | 133, | Aug. 18, 1870 |

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Continued.*

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 142, Framingham, | 28, | Nov. 29, 1870 |
| 148, Winchester, | 24, | May 22, 1872 |
| 156, Everett, | 70, | June 14, 1883 |
| 161, Woburn, | 69, | Jan. 23, 1884 |
| 163, S. Framingham, | 60, | Mar. 25, 1884 |
| 180, Concord, | 58, | Dec. 20, 1884 |
| 185, Lowell, | 247, | April 14, 1868 |
| 186, Cambridgeport, | 73, | Jan. 13, 1887 |
| Total — Posts, 34; members, 3,853. | | |

NORFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|---------------|
| 58, Weymouth, | 190, | July 2, 1868 |
| 60, Franklin, | 75, | May 16, 1881 |
| 72, Stoughton, | 65, | Nov. 13, 1868 |
| 87, Braintree, | 70, | June 2, 1869 |
| 88, Quincy, | 87, | June 4, 1869 |
| 91, Foxboro, | 31, | June 12, 1869 |
| 94, Canton, | 68, | June 24, 1869 |
| 98, Cohasset, | 33, | Jan. 12, 1883 |
| 102, Milton, | 57, | April 3, 1879 |
| 110, Randolph, | 71, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 117, Medfield, | 36, | Jan. 3, 1870 |
| 121, Hyde Park, | 137, | Mar. 22, 1870 |
| 130, Medway, | 50, | Mar. 18, 1882 |
| 133, Plainville, | 37, | May 23, 1882 |
| 143, Brookline, | 47, | Jan. 24, 1871 |
| 144, Dedham, | 93, | May 22, 1871 |
| 157, Walpole, | 35, | July 1, 1883 |
| 169, Norwood, | 49, | July 21, 1884 |
| 181, Needham, | 38, | June 5, 1885 |
| Total — Posts, 19; members, 1,269. | | |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 8, Middleboro, | 91, | Mar. 10, 1867 |
| 13, Brockton, | 218, | July 1, 1867 |
| 31, Scituate, | 62, | July 15, 1875 |
| 73, Abington, | 89, | Dec. 23, 1868 |
| 74, Rockland, | 121, | Jan. 11, 1869 |
| 76, Plymouth, | 148, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 78, S. Abington, | 120, | Jan. 30, 1869 |
| 83, Hanover, | 27, | April 29, 1869 |
| 104, Hingham, | 60, | July 26, 1869 |
| 111, Pembroke, | 28, | Oct. 29, 1869 |
| 112, South Scituate, | 44, | Nov. 1, 1869 |
| 124, E. Bridgewater, | 55, | June 7, 1870 |
| 127, Hanson, | 29, | June 11, 1870 |
| 154, Kingston, | 48, | May 24, 1883 |
| 165, Duxbury, | 48, | May 19, 1884 |
| 189, Marshfield, | 21, | Sept. 15, 1887 |
| Total — Posts, 16; members, 1,209. | | |

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------|------|----------------|
| 2, South Boston, | 267, | Feb. 26, 1880 |
| 7, Boston, | 529, | Mar. 11, 1867 |
| 11, Charlestown, | 296, | April 23, 1867 |
| 15, Boston, | 531, | Aug. 6, 1867 |
| 21, Boston, | 51, | Feb. 22, 1881 |

| Post. | No. Mems. | Date of Charter. |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 23, East Boston, | 147, | Sept. 17, 1867 |
| 26, Roxbury, | 223, | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| 32, South Boston, | 98, | Nov. 6, 1867 |
| 35, Chelsea, | 403, | Nov. 16, 1867 |
| 68, Dorchester, | 263, | Oct. 8, 1868 |
| 92, Brighton, | 93, | Nov. 12, 1873 |
| 113, Boston, | 110, | Dec. 18, 1869 |
| 134, Boston, | 60, | June 29, 1870 |
| 149, Charlestown, | 67, | Dec. 11, 1872 |
| 159, East Boston, | 150, | Sept. 7, 1883 |
| Total — Posts, 15; members, 3,293. | | |

WORCESTER COUNTY.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|----------------|
| 10, Worcester, | 644, | April 13, 1867 |
| 19, Fitchburg, | 252, | Aug. 16, 1867 |
| 22, Milford, | 154, | Sept. 19, 1867 |
| 24, Grafton, | 58, | Sept. 25, 1867 |
| 25, Uxbridge, | 42, | Sept. 30, 1867 |
| 27, Oxford, | 41, | Nov. 12, 1870 |
| 28, West Boylston, | 34, | Oct. 12, 1867 |
| 37, Spencer, | 96, | Nov. 20, 1867 |
| 38, Brookfield, | 71, | Nov. 27, 1867 |
| 44, Southboro, | 27, | May 17, 1878 |
| 51, N. Brookfield, | 65, | Feb. 28, 1868 |
| 53, Leominster, | 130, | June 13, 1868 |
| 54, Berlin, | 21, | June 2, 1868 |
| 59, Sterling, | 26, | July 3, 1868 |
| 61, Webster, | 98, | July 21, 1868 |
| 64, Clinton, | 88, | Aug. 17, 1868 |
| 65, Warren, | 37, | Aug. 21, 1868 |
| 69, Westminster, | 24, | Nov. 9, 1868 |
| 70, Millbury, | 48, | Aug. 3, 1876 |
| 77, Holden, | 27, | Jan. 19, 1869 |
| 80, Westboro, | 103, | June 18, 1881 |
| 96, Northboro, | 30, | June 28, 1869 |
| 105, Upton, | 29, | July 15, 1881 |
| 109, Templeton, | 56, | Oct. 11, 1869 |
| 116, Gardner, | 98, | Dec. 30, 1869 |
| 123, Athol, | 107, | June 1, 1870 |
| 129, Millville, | 19, | April 25, 1883 |
| 131, Leicester, | 49, | June 21, 1870 |
| 135, Shrewsbury, | 25, | Dec. 30, 1873 |
| 136, Rutland, | 40, | July 1, 1870 |
| 137, East Douglas, | 35, | Sept. 21, 1882 |
| 140, Athol, | 90, | Feb. 22, 1881 |
| 153, Winchendon, | 65, | Mar. 6, 1883 |
| 160, W. Brookfield, | 31, | Sept. 18, 1883 |
| 167, Whitinsville, | 33, | June 18, 1884 |
| 168, Southbridge, | 71, | June 27, 1884 |
| 172, Bolton, | 21, | Aug. 18, 1884 |
| 173, Sturbridge, | 46, | Aug. 26, 1884 |
| 175, Lancaster, | 23, | Sept. 5, 1884 |
| 179, Barre, | 51, | Dec. 11, 1884 |
| 184, Ashburnham, | 33, | April 1, 1886 |
| Total — Posts, 41; members, 3,038. | | |

There have been issued, during the year, twelve General Orders, sixty-three Special Orders, and six Circulars.

There has been expended for relief, during the past year, \$41,899.94, as follows: First quarter, \$12,395.86; second quarter, \$10,602.18; third quarter, \$8,766.17; fourth quarter, \$10,035.63.

By adding to this the amount contributed for the Geo. H. Patch Memorial Fund of \$3,195.98, we have the grand total of \$45,095.92.

In closing, I return my thanks to the Department Commander for his uniform kindness and forbearance, and to the Department officers, official staff, and the officers and comrades of the various Posts, for their courtesies in my official relations with them.

I have the honor to be

Yours in F., C. & L.,

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1888.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I hereby submit my report of the operations of this office during the past year.

The following tables, sustained by complete vouchers, contain a full statement of the receipts and expenditures:—

RECEIPTS.

| 1887. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
|--|------------|----|
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$4,521 | 12 |
| Received for dues, first quarter, 1887 | | |
| " " second quarter, 1887 | 1,569 | 28 |
| " " third quarter, 1887 | 1,601 | 78 |
| " " fourth quarter, 1887 | 1,614 | 56 |
| " " books and blanks | 348 | 74 |
| " " badges | 1,032 | 00 |
| " " buttons | 310 | 50 |
| " " sundries | 113 | 24 |
| Total receipts | \$11,111. | 22 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | <i>Cr.</i> | |
|--|------------|----|
| Paid National Headquarters, supplies | \$971 | 95 |
| " " " dues | 599 | 66 |
| " rent and care of office | 412 | 00 |
| " Salary Assistant Adjutant-General | 1,191 | 63 |
| " Tremont Temple for Encampment | 75 | 00 |
| " inspection expenses | 90 | 38 |
| Carried forward | \$3,340 | 62 |

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| <i>Brought forward</i> | \$3,340 62 | \$11,111 22 |
| Paid printing books, blanks, General Orders, etc. | 905 57 | |
| “ postals, postage, telegrams, clerk hire, office expenses, etc. | 618 43 | |
| “ organizing new Posts | 12 83 | |
| “ Department Commander's travelling expenses | 61 01 | |
| “ Department Headquarters, St. Louis | 50 00 | |
| “ Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General in St. Louis | 109 50 | |
| “ Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau | 3,000 00 | |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$8,097 96</u> |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$3,013 26</u> |

Vouchers cover the expenses.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM JAN. 1 TO FEB. 1, 1888.

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| 1888. | <i>Dr.</i> | |
| Cash on hand as per last report | \$3,004 36 | |
| Received for dues | 1,620 08 | |
| “ “ books and blanks | 55 44 | |
| “ “ badges | 76 80 | |
| “ “ buttons | 14 30 | |
| “ “ sundries | 111 07 | |
| Total receipts | | <u>\$4,882 05</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| | <i>Cr.</i> | |
| Paid National Headquarters, dues | \$202 51 | |
| “ rent and care of office | 44 00 | |
| “ Salary Assistant Adjutant-General | 108 33 | |
| “ printing books and blanks | 88 67 | |
| “ inspections | 187 56 | |
| “ postage, express, office expenses | 51 93 | |
| “ travelling expenses, Department Commander | 104 43 | |
| Total expenditures | | <u>\$787 43</u> |
| Balance to new account | | <u>\$4,094 62</u> |

ASSETS.

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand | \$4,094 62 | |
| Value of supplies on hand | 125 01 | |
| Office furniture | 413 50 | |
| Colors | 40 00 | |
| Due from Posts | 27 90 | |
| Total assets | | <u>\$4,701 03</u> |

NO LIABILITIES.

With many thanks to the Department Commander and officers of the Staff,

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

AUGUSTUS H. WRIGHT,
Assistant Quartermaster-General.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.,
BOSTON, Jan. 28, 1888.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

Comrade: I have the honor to submit, for the third time, the Annual Report of the Inspector of the Department of Massachusetts.

During the year three Posts were organized by me, viz., Hancock No. 187 of Dalton; Preston No. 188 of Beverly Farms, and David Church No. 189 of Marshfield. The good work still goes on.

The following table will show by comparison the condition of the Department Sept. 30, 1886 and 1887.

| | 1887. | 1886. |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Number of Posts | 189 | 186 |
| “ members in good standing | 20,196 | 19,307 |
| “ Posts where the Ritual is committed | 121 | 136 |
| “ Posts who are uniformed | 169 | 165 |
| “ Posts whose officers wear rank badges | 182 | 175 |
| “ Posts that own side-arms | 151 | 144 |
| “ Posts where guards are armed | 171 | 166 |
| “ Posts who present a badge to recruits | 154 | 147 |
| “ comrades suspended | 840 | 761 |
| Amount of Post funds | \$59,414.60 | \$55,471.98 |
| “ of Relief funds | 139,441.27 | 140,620.55 |
| “ of other property | 223,975.88 | 223,060.49 |
| “ expended for relief | 34,560.78 | 37,289.55 |
| Number of comrades relieved | 1,725 | 1,543 |
| “ other than comrades re- lieved | 1,084 | 992 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Wm. Logan Rodman.. | 1 | 283 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | 2 |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | 263 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 90 | 6 |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | 205 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 36 | 1 |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 5 |
| General Lander..... | 5 | 1025 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl., Belt, Sword | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 200 | 93 |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | 51 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | 1 |
| Chas. Russell Lowell.. | 7 | 523 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 120 | 48 |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | 89 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Reno..... | 9 | 90 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 11 |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | 629 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Bl'se, P'ts, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 66 | 43 |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | 286 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 61 | 4 |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | 203 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 29 | 13 |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | 212 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 43 | 2 |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | 37 | No | No | ..... | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | 553 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 85 | 57 |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | 499 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | 25 |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | 122 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | 1 |
| Col. Prescott..... | 18 | 40 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | 5 |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | 252 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | None |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 8 | None |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | 58 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher..... | 22 | 150 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 5 |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | 143 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | None |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | 57 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 25 | 9 |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | 43 | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | None |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | 219 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 75 | 7 |
| Chas. Devens..... | 27 | 43 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 7 |
| Geo. D. Wells..... | 28 | 34 | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 4 |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | 141 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 29 | None |
| Wm. H. Smart..... | 30 | 291 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 74 | 24 |
| Geo. W. Perry..... | 31 | 62 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Washington..... | 32 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 4 |
| Burbank..... | 33 | 86 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 3 |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | 330 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | 10 |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | 431 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | 35 |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | 97 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 3 |
| Dexter..... | 38 | 66 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | 2 |
| Needham..... | 39 | 353 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | None |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | 156 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | None |
| Lyon..... | 41 | 146 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 14 |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | 321 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 54 | 1 |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | 136 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 28 | 4 |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | 31 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 11 | None |
| Col. Allen..... | 45 | 200 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 41 | 5 |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | 254 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 55 | 8 |
| Major Howe..... | 47 | 332 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 60 | 8 |
| Geo. S. Boutwell..... | 48 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | 4 |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | 234 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 24 | None |
| Union..... | 50 | 146 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 4 |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | 69 | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 6 | 5 |
| Chas. H. Stevens..... | 53 | 131 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings.. | 54 | 21 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 1 |
| I. D. Paull..... | 55 | 43 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 1 |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | 151 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | None |
| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | 160 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | 205 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 55 | 78 |
| Maj. J. A. Pratt..... | 59 | 26 | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | No | Yes | No | 9 | None |
| Franklin..... | 60 | 76 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | 95 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | 3 |
| Chas. Ward..... | 62 | 128 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 3 |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | 195 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 65 | 5 |

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| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds on property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| None | \$5 00 | \$3 00 | \$258 66 | \$868 75 | Yes | \$128 25 | Yes | \$3 00 | \$570 00 | 30 | 12 | Excellent |
| None | 10 00 | 4 00 | 265 01 | 895 95 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 322 12 | 10 | 5 | Excellent |
| 4 | 4 00 | 2 60 | 74 67 | 812 88 | Yes | 550 05 | No | ..... | 533 46 | 36 | 26 | Excellent |
| None | 2 65 | 3 00 | 9 37 | 644 87 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 58 20 | 3 | 5 | Excellent |
| 20 | 6 00 | 3 00 | 594 85 | 6,157 66 | Yes | 79,938 67 | Yes | 4 00 | 770 55 | 162 | 61 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 400 00 | 53 55 | Yes | 1,324 00 | No | ..... | 120 18 | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 20 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 485 06 | 929 99 | Yes | 3,900 00 | No | ..... | 739 00 | 70 | 4 | Excellent |
| 5 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 81 26 | 565 49 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 43 75 | 3 | 3 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 60 | 4 00 | 388 66 | 1,536 80 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 320 00 | 8 | 7 | Excellent |
| 7 | 3 50 | 2 00 | 2,126 16 | 1,699 84 | Yes | 1,455 53 | No | ..... | 1,632 57 | 104 | 35 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 3,289 47 | ..... | Yes | 3,183 59 | No | ..... | 220 51 | 4 | 6 | Excellent |
| 6 | 5 00 | 3 50 | 1,276 83 | ..... | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 439 69 | 42 | 30 | Excellent |
| 4 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 1,447 40 | 1,963 80 | Yes | 3,047 46 | No | ..... | 100 00 | 15 | 32 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 95 91 | 231 24 | Yes | 250 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 113 13 | 2 | 6 | Fair |
| 19 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 2,250 01 | 82 98 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 811 80 | 13 | 4 | Excellent |
| 22 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2,881 66 | 1,118 14 | Yes | 1,928 00 | No | ..... | 1,067 91 | 42 | 93 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 14 61 | 563 26 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 96 50 | 4 | 6 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 657 78 | 572 56 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 21 90 | 2 | 4 | Excellent |
| None | 6 00 | 3 00 | 1,556 05 | 5,354 82 | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 211 04 | 15 | 9 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 35 79 | 114 76 | Yes | 90 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 20 53 | 1,261 13 | Yes | 200 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 208 50 | 5 | 2 | Good |
| 3 | 3 50 | 3 00 | 110 66 | 577 52 | Yes | 1,793 00 | No | ..... | 165 00 | 23 | 10 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 60 | 4 00 | 41 50 | 1,249 62 | Yes | 2,000 00 | No | ..... | 288 00 | 6 | 5 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 288 02 | 70 03 | Yes | 129 00 | No | ..... | 66 47 | 1 | 9 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 60 | 21 30 | 116 25 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 66 53 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| 7 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 404 66 | 14 61 | Yes | 323 81 | No | ..... | 531 34 | 16 | 20 | Excellent |
| 4 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 13 92 | 64 69 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 68 00 | 4 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 31 00 | 193 50 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 81 00 | 4 | None | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 108 69 | 1,829 72 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 97 07 | 4 | 9 | Excellent |
| 10 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 1,683 00 | 586 00 | Yes | 1,367 75 | Yes | 3 00 | 542 62 | 51 | 4 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 2 00 | 118 72 | 2,867 15 | Yes | 1,260 00 | No | ..... | 173 78 | 3 | 1 | Good |
| 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 13 75 | 200 60 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 98 00 | 10 | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 103 59 | 237 51 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 92 51 | 8 | 3 | Excellent |
| 5 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 348 31 | 235 97 | Yes | 1,410 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 936 87 | 31 | 14 | Good |
| 15 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 115 00 | 165 00 | Yes | 1,900 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 727 38 | 27 | 10 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 8 06 | 732 91 | Yes | 134 40 | No | ..... | 64 00 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| 5 | 1 50 | 1 50 | 77 22 | 440 98 | Yes | 1,300 00 | No | ..... | 67 18 | 5 | None | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 43 81 | 300 00 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 52 44 | 6 | 19 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 673 73 | 1,939 38 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 1,200 00 | 42 | 40 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 75 | 4 00 | 1,157 57 | 672 74 | Yes | 1,675 00 | No | ..... | 268 23 | 6 | 21 | Excellent |
| 6 | 2 00 | 1 50 | 33 59 | 453 86 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 150 00 | 11 | 1 | Good |
| None | 4 00 | 4 00 | 1,583 23 | 4,740 89 | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 1,942 12 | 84 | 56 | Excellent |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 30 01 | 3,004 84 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 229 73 | 9 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 60 | 2 00 | 5 24 | 145 04 | Yes | 125 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 2 | 3 75 | 3 00 | 646 54 | 1,345 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 159 35 | 7 | 8 | Excellent |
| 62 | 2 00 | 6 00 | 1,139 54 | ..... | Yes | 1,100 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 603 80 | 30 | 4 | Excellent |
| 9 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 7,506 44 | ..... | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 811 83 | 43 | 24 | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 120 87 | 407 24 | Yes | 225 00 | No | ..... | 104 73 | 4 | 2 | Good |
| None | 4 00 | 2 00 | 178 05 | 1 86 | Yes | 9,500 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 516 25 | 20 | 2 | Excellent |
| 3 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 44 74 | 2,008 04 | Yes | 715 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 439 16 | 20 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 523 76 | 28 76 | Yes | 917 91 | No | ..... | 201 00 | 2 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 1 75 | 2 00 | 85 11 | 55 17 | Yes | 1,847 00 | No | ..... | 147 67 | 3 | 8 | Fair |
| 1 | 3 60 | 2 00 | 2,066 82 | 2,261 20 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 212 16 | 4 | 8 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 66 90 | 275 35 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 61 00 | 3 | None | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 122 10 | 287 85 | Yes | 198 04 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 1 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 4 00 | 4 00 | 203 90 | 505 51 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 277 56 | 16 | 7 | Excellent |
| 12 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 708 89 | 1,099 79 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 393 47 | 20 | 8 | Excellent |
| 2 | 15 00 | 4 00 | 48 54 | 12,271 72 | Yes | 3,000 00 | No | ..... | 746 73 | 14 | 3 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 1 30 | 46 49 | 463 57 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 24 00 | 5 | None | Fair |
| 4 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 21 07 | 526 35 | Yes | 1,025 00 | No | ..... | 64 23 | 6 | 10 | Good |
| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 225 17 | 1,704 56 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 150 33 | 8 | 2 | Fair |
| 3 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 31 05 | 1,612 53 | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 407 45 | 10 | 3 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 248 74 | 99 47 | Yes | 1,399 36 | No | ..... | 167 90 | 12 | 2 | Excellent |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | 83 | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | 36 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | 2 |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | 114 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 28 | None |
| Allen..... | 67 | 46 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | None |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | 260 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 57 | 13 |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | 24 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 13 | None |
| Geo. A. Custer..... | 70 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | 8 |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | 144 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| A. St. John Chumbre..... | 72 | 65 | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| McPherson..... | 73 | 81 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | 121 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 30 | 25 |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | 95 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | 4 |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | 150 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | 26 | No | No | ..... | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | 120 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 3 |
| Chas. D. Sanford..... | 79 | 114 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | None |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | 102 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 23 | 1 |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | 62 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | 20 | 7 |
| John Goodwin, Jr..... | 82 | 178 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 36 | None |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | 27 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 2 |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | 19 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | 2 |
| J. W. Lawton..... | 85 | 44 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | 233 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 50 | None |
| Gen. Sylvanus Thayer..... | 87 | 74 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 1 |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | 89 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr..... | 89 | 166 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 37 | 3 |
| Ward..... | 90 | 170 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 34 | 1 |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | 31 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Francis Washburn..... | 92 | 92 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 36 | 2 |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Pants | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Revere..... | 94 | 68 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 1 |
| Gen. E. W. Hincks..... | 95 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | 1 |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | 30 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | None |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Henry F. Bryant..... | 98 | 31 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett..... | 99 | 57 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | 1 |
| William B. Greene..... | 100 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 1 |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | 53 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | 5 |
| H. F. Wolcott..... | 102 | 55 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | 5 |
| Edwin Humphrey..... | 104 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | 34 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 13 | 4 |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | 57 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | 1 |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | 48 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 15 | None |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | 90 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| Eriesson..... | 109 | 55 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 17 | None |
| Capt. Horace Niles..... | 110 | 72 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 30 | 12 |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | 26 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 14 | 1 |
| D. Willard Robinson..... | 112 | 45 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 3 |
| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | 112 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 29 | 1 |
| Col. O. R. Mudge..... | 114 | 54 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | None |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | 30 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | No | No | No | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | 101 | Yes | No | Belt, Cord, Wreath | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 25 | 10 |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | 35 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | None |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | 32 | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | 38 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | None |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | 274 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 1 |
| Timothy Ingraham..... | 121 | 139 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 31 | 1 |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 5 |
| Parker..... | 123 | 106 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Justin Dimick..... | 124 | 56 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | 1 |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | 139 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | 34 |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | 54 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 12 |

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| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 3 | \$2 50 | \$2 00 | \$167 57 | \$886 88 | Yes | \$600 00 | No | ..... | \$277 20 | 5 | None | Fair |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 102 35 | 91 78 | Yes | 565 00 | No | ..... | 25 10 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 329 39 | ..... | Yes | 1,755 33 | No | ..... | 85 99 | 2 | 2 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 200 00 | 1,154 81 | Yes | 535 00 | No | ..... | 222 00 | 5 | 3 | Excellent |
| 2 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 266 50 | 1,351 78 | Yes | 4,430 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | 345 81 | 27 | 4 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 65 00 | 33 44 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 46 00 | 1 | 8 | Fair |
| 5 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 178 29 | 124 19 | Yes | 227 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 144 40 | 790 82 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 392 44 | 9 | 13 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 53 00 | 663 25 | Yes | 355 00 | No | ..... | 324 38 | 5 | 6 | Good |
| 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1,384 03 | 1,643 89 | Yes | 1,000 00 | No | ..... | 151 50 | 4 | 5 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 3 00 | 250 77 | 2,028 54 | Yes | 13 00 | No | ..... | 4 00 | 6 | 3 | Good |
| 1 | 1 75 | 3 00 | 112 79 | 240 16 | Yes | 955 66 | No | ..... | 125 50 | 8 | 6 | Excellent |
| None | 4 00 | 3 00 | 311 36 | 1,349 21 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 150 00 | None | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | ..... | 240 51 | Yes | 75 00 | No | ..... | 13 00 | 2 | 6 | Fair |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 20 40 | 721 64 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 252 59 | 13 | 6 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 4 00 | 881 14 | ..... | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 339 13 | 13 | 11 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 97 27 | 2,217 54 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 46 00 | 3 | 16 | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 659 31 | 42 57 | Yes | 560 00 | Yes | 2 50 | 134 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 4 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 56 18 | 208 90 | Yes | 1,000 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 405 00 | 27 | 2 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 12 25 | 463 62 | Yes | 87 00 | No | ..... | 47 70 | 2 | 1 | Good |
| 1 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 14 67 | 27 22 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 2 25 | 1 | 2 | Fair |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 352 02 | 232 78 | Yes | 322 45 | No | ..... | 33 27 | 1 | 4 | Fair |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 122 60 | 3,892 17 | Yes | 1,500 00 | Yes | 5 00 | 422 86 | 12 | 13 | Excellent |
| None | 2 60 | 3 00 | 364 54 | ..... | No | ..... | Yes | 3 00 | 209 00 | 12 | 2 | Good |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 46 | 2,215 66 | Yes | 620 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 543 19 | 21 | 10 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 137 08 | 2,293 82 | Yes | 841 50 | Yes | 3 00 | 294 32 | 9 | 14 | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2,768 00 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 565 60 | 10 | None | Good |
| 2 | 1 00 | 2 24 | 50 00 | 8 87 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 2 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 399 65 | 238 18 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 276 00 | 2 | 12 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 542 33 | ..... | Yes | 477 40 | No | ..... | 46 54 | 4 | 12 | Good |
| 3 | 2 60 | 2 00 | 474 13 | 1,245 96 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 2 20 | 4 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 142 11 | 505 43 | Yes | 750 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 76 83 | 3 | 2 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 9 41 | 124 09 | Yes | 200 00 | No | ..... | 41 25 | 1 | 4 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 25 79 | 60 48 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 9 31 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| 1 | 1 00 | 3 00 | 32 00 | 514 00 | Yes | 140 00 | No | ..... | 28 00 | 1 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 40 98 | 363 23 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 96 46 | 3 | 3 | Good |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 75 08 | ..... | Yes | 1,200 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| 2 | 1 00 | 3 32 | 37 44 | ..... | Yes | 1,200 00 | No | ..... | 37 05 | 5 | 2 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 70 00 | 107 69 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 176 00 | 5 | 1 | Excellent |
| 1 | 1 75 | 3 00 | 13 76 | 467 75 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 40 15 | 4 | 5 | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 63 90 | 379 95 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 27 50 | 3 | None | Excellent |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 39 | 171 22 | Yes | 175 00 | No | ..... | 52 40 | 3 | 2 | Poor |
| None | 2 75 | 3 00 | 92 01 | 274 14 | Yes | 172 08 | No | ..... | 93 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 158 13 | 300 00 | Yes | 153 38 | No | ..... | 39 30 | 2 | 3 | Fair |
| 1 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 137 94 | 616 87 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 94 44 | 6 | 13 | Excellent |
| 1 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 110 49 | 129 07 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 41 82 | 2 | 2 | Good |
| 3 | 2 00 | 4 00 | 124 30 | 1,726 68 | Yes | 400 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 79 00 | 8 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 25 58 | 83 20 | Yes | 70 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 4 | 5 00 | 2 00 | ..... | 383 99 | Yes | 326 25 | No | ..... | 18 00 | 3 | None | Good |
| 2 | 5 00 | 10 00 | 303 73 | 6,915 88 | Yes | 80 00 | No | ..... | 116 00 | 1 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 4 40 | 1,041 80 | 31 60 | Yes | 1,167 23 | No | ..... | 24 75 | 1 | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 77 33 | 1 44 | Yes | 25 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 97 88 | 884 84 | Yes | 5 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 163 77 | 6 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 94 10 | 800 00 | Yes | 809 31 | No | ..... | 25 00 | None | 1 | Good |
| 2 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 18 63 | 82 80 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 5 00 | 1 | None | Fair |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 98 27 | 694 20 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 5 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 502 86 | 5,254 59 | Yes | 2,000 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 1,033 42 | 45 | 29 | Excellent |
| 3 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 80 26 | 567 42 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 269 87 | 15 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 624 73 | 319 14 | Yes | 300 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 86 81 | 2 | 4 | Excellent |
| 4 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 494 56 | ..... | Yes | 755 28 | No | ..... | 117 80 | 10 | 3 | Good |
| 3 | 3 50 | 4 00 | 168 75 | 32 63 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 61 09 | 3 | None | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 38 35 | 2,209 00 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 337 22 | 15 | 8 | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 79 20 | 258 21 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | 100 00 | None | 3 | Excellent |

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

| NAME OF POST. | No. of Post. | Number of Members in good standing at close of last quarter. | Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory? | Are the members uniformed? | Of what does the uniform consist? | Do the officers wear the proper rank badges? | Does the Post own side arms for officers? | Are the Guards armed and equipped? | Is a badge presented to each recruit when mustered? | Are the officers regular in their attendance? | What is the average attendance of members at Post meetings? | How many members are suspended? |
|----------------------------|--------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | 34 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 16 | 9 |
| Gen. James Appleton. | 128 | 95 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 17 |
| William H. Freeman. | 129 | 21 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | 8 | None |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | 49 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | 49 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | ..... | 2 |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | 64 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | None |
| George H. Maintien..... | 133 | 35 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | 3 |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 1 |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | 25 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | None |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | 39 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 10 | None |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | 31 | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 13 | 5 |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Willard C. Kinsley..... | 139 | 124 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | None |
| Hubbard V. Smith..... | 140 | 90 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | None |
| Frank D. Hammond..... | 141 | 52 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Burnside..... | 142 | 28 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | 14 | 2 |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | 47 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 24 | None |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | 93 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 40 | 1 |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | 124 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 32 | 8 |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | 21 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 10 | None |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | 105 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 45 | None |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | 22 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Maj. G. L. Stearns..... | 149 | 66 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | 8 |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | None |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | 12 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 7 | None |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | 42 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 14 | None |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | 63 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | 48 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 18 | 2 |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | 58 | Yes | Yes | Hat | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | None |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | 70 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Elbridge D. Piper..... | 157 | 36 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| E. S. Dresser..... | 158 | 42 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | 3 |
| John A. Hayes..... | 159 | 150 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 40 | None |
| Alanson Hamilton..... | 160 | 32 | No | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | 15 | 1 |
| Woburn..... | 161 | 70 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | 64 | No | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 21 | None |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | 25 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | None |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | 49 | Yes | No | ..... | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | None |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | 67 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 19 | None |
| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | 33 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | None |
| Malcolm Ammidown..... | 168 | 69 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 16 | 1 |
| George K. Bird..... | 169 | 48 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 22 | None |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | 42 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | 2 |
| Henry H. Johnson..... | 171 | 23 | Yes | Yes | Cap, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 4 | 4 |
| G. K. Warren..... | 172 | 21 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Albert S. Johnson..... | 173 | 44 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 15 | None |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | 89 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 30 | None |
| Washburn..... | 175 | 23 | No | No | ..... | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 13 | 3 |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee..... | 176 | 66 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | 33 | No | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | 21 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 10 | 1 |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | 50 | No | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | 18 | None |
| Col. Geo. L. Prescott..... | 180 | 60 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 25 | None |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | 38 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | None |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton..... | 182 | 33 | Yes | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | 20 | None |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | 34 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | 22 | None |
| Sergeant Plunkett..... | 184 | 32 | No | Yes | Hat | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | 14 | 5 |
| Ladd and Whitney..... | 185 | 242 | Yes | Yes | Helmet, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 35 | 23 |
| John A. Logan..... | 186 | 71 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 26 | None |
| Hancock..... | 187 | 37 | Yes | Yes | Full Uniform | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 12 | None |
| Preston..... | 188 | 30 | No | Yes | Hat, Blouse, Belt | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | 20 | None |

MASS. G.A.R., FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30, 1887 — *Continued.*

| How many members were dropped during the past year? | Amount charged for muster-in fee. | Amount charged for annual dues. | Amount of Post Fund. | Amount of Relief Fund. | Has the Post, other funds or property? | If so, their value. | Are stated benefits paid in case of sickness? | If so, how much per week? | How much money expended in charity during past year? | How many members relieved during past year? | How many persons not members relieved during past year? | What is the condition of the Post? |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| None | \$1 00 | \$1 00 | \$13 20 | \$237 16 | Yes | \$50 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Fair |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | 454 64 | 204 82 | Yes | 300 00 | No | ..... | \$39 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 9 | 00 | 00 | 57 41 | ..... | No | ..... | No | ..... | 23 50 | 2 | 5 | Poor |
| None | 1 00 | 3 00 | 12 49 | 30 26 | Yes | 37 50 | No | ..... | 39 90 | 1 | 6 | Good |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 70 36 | 647 36 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 47 04 | 1 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 3 75 | 3 00 | 54 73 | 903 11 | Yes | 345 25 | No | ..... | 66 17 | 2 | 2 | Good |
| None | 4 00 | 4 00 | 108 43 | 1,353 80 | Yes | 5,000 00 | No | ..... | 40 75 | None | 3 | Good |
| 2 | 2 65 | 3 00 | 70 00 | 66 00 | Yes | 275 00 | Yes | \$3 00 | 52 00 | 6 | None | Good |
| None | 1 50 | 1 00 | 19 06 | 186 50 | Yes | 170 00 | No | ..... | 37 00 | 1 | None | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 6 45 | 103 04 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 8 18 | 1 | None | Fair |
| 7 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 20 00 | 400 00 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 86 25 | 6 | 5 | Fair |
| None | 2 75 | 2 00 | 37 30 | 253 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 95 00 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| 2 | 3 50 | 4 00 | 90 06 | 574 57 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 32 37 | 8 | 13 | Excellent |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 143 61 | ..... | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 37 13 | 4 | 2 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 34 67 | 33 70 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | ..... | None | None | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 54 95 | 4 57 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 347 00 | 22 | 14 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 1 00 | 94 91 | 361 68 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 1 | 2 75 | 2 00 | 80 03 | 1,379 25 | Yes | 800 00 | No | ..... | 69 75 | 3 | 15 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 4 00 | 24 61 | 17 95 | Yes | 1,800 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 3 00 | 6 52 | 2 55 | Yes | 25 00 | Yes | 1 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| 3 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 57 17 | 667 23 | Yes | 600 96 | No | ..... | 99 25 | 3 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 2 00 | ..... | ..... | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| None | 2 60 | 4 20 | 115 44 | 286 16 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 128 00 | 7 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 101 79 | 4 28 | Yes | 165 00 | No | ..... | 15 00 | 1 | 2 | Fair |
| None | 1 00 | 1 00 | 44 66 | ..... | Yes | 1,750 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Poor |
| None | 2 75 | 3 00 | 171 38 | 270 95 | Yes | 376 76 | Yes | 3 00 | 20 32 | 2 | None | Good |
| 2 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 57 89 | 216 67 | Yes | 600 00 | No | ..... | 50 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 361 78 | 919 91 | Yes | 425 00 | Yes | 2 00 | 55 20 | 2 | None | Good |
| None | 1 60 | 1 00 | 101 41 | 410 64 | Yes | 1,202 04 | No | ..... | 112 75 | 1 | 3 | Excellent |
| None | 2 60 | 4 00 | 11 00 | 1,819 03 | Yes | 700 00 | No | ..... | 20 00 | 2 | 1 | Excellent |
| 1 | 1 50 | 4 00 | 21 14 | 60 89 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 5 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 40 00 | 60 00 | Yes | 166 50 | No | ..... | 21 00 | 1 | 1 | Good |
| 4 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 72 97 | 1,335 00 | Yes | 500 00 | Yes | 3 00 | 429 02 | 24 | 7 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 89 21 | 351 55 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 18 61 | 1 | 5 | Fair |
| 4 | 1 00 | 3 00 | 91 18 | ..... | Yes | 110 00 | No | ..... | 15 00 | None | 2 | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 100 44 | 313 14 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | 71 25 | None | 4 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 231 38 | 126 84 | Yes | 375 00 | No | ..... | 362 35 | 33 | 24 | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 25 40 | 100 00 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| 3 | 2 50 | 50 | 42 00 | ..... | Yes | 340 00 | No | ..... | 44 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| 1 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 100 13 | 810 43 | Yes | 425 00 | No | ..... | 67 25 | 3 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 93 92 | 67 19 | Yes | 50 00 | No | ..... | 25 00 | None | 3 | Poor |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 6 23 | 452 88 | Yes | 420 00 | No | ..... | 183 02 | 3 | 7 | Excellent |
| 1 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 127 61 | 100 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 85 13 | 3 | 7 | Good |
| 1 | 2 50 | 2 40 | 12 40 | 900 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 93 00 | 3 | None | Good |
| None | 3 00 | 2 00 | 3 04 | 116 18 | Yes | 151 00 | No | ..... | 6 00 | 1 | None | Good |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 137 19 | 75 00 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 16 75 | 2 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 20 98 | 150 00 | Yes | 91 55 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 6 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 159 34 | 9 43 | Yes | 435 84 | No | ..... | 71 90 | 6 | 2 | Excellent |
| None | 2 50 | 2 00 | 58 51 | 590 82 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 38 50 | 4 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 63 09 | 60 67 | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 45 00 | 2 | None | Good |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 171 47 | 20 00 | Yes | 75 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| 2 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 86 | 16 45 | Yes | 104 18 | No | ..... | 7 00 | 1 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 80 01 | 246 21 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 9 20 | 1 | 2 | Good |
| None | 2 60 | 2 00 | 28 67 | 380 10 | Yes | 500 00 | No | ..... | 33 53 | 7 | 1 | Excellent |
| None | 2 60 | 3 00 | 96 55 | 96 15 | No | ..... | No | ..... | 28 00 | 4 | None | Excellent |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 30 81 | 13 50 | Yes | 40 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Good |
| None | 2 00 | 2 00 | 82 50 | ..... | Yes | 195 81 | No | ..... | 10 00 | 1 | None | Fair |
| 2 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 32 51 | ..... | Yes | 100 00 | No | ..... | 72 25 | 3 | None | Fair |
| 3 | 4 00 | 4 00 | 104 05 | 1,478 56 | Yes | 1,200 00 | Yes | 4 00 | 400 00 | 23 | None | Excellent |
| None | 5 00 | 4 00 | 96 94 | 14 25 | Yes | 400 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| None | 3 60 | 2 00 | 25 43 | 111 71 | Yes | 95 00 | No | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | Excellent |
| None | 3 00 | 3 00 | 34 29 | 90 15 | Yes | 239 80 | Yes | 2 00 | 9 85 | None | 1 | Good |

The reports show that the Department of Massachusetts is in better condition than ever before, and in no respect has it fallen behind during the year just elapsed.

A year ago I had the honor of recommending that something be done to improve the "Form of Inspection." By vote of the Encampment the matter was referred to the Council of Administration. At the first meeting a committee was appointed to draft a new form. This was done and subsequently adopted by the Council and recommended to the National Encampment. This form was exemplified by Post 68 of Dorchester, in the presence of the Department aides and some of the delegates, in order that its workings might be observed. The National Encampment, upon recommendation of the Inspector-General, adopted it without a change, and it is thought that its availability and practicability will be clearly demonstrated in the future, and whatever honor comes from it will be credited to our own Department.

The form of installation is incorrect and incomplete, and I wish something might be done to improve it, especially as the Ritual has been taken under consideration. Thus uniformity may be secured without any detriment to the essential parts or taking away the beauty and simplicity.

I gladly take this opportunity to thank the Assistant Inspectors for their faithfulness and efficiency, and for the zeal which they have shown in the performance of their duties. When all have done so well, it would be unjust to specify, for all have been prompt as well as faithful in execution of the work assigned them, and the reports received show they spared no pains to thoroughly instruct and encourage the Posts which they visited.

To the comrades of the Council I would return thanks for the kindness shown during the year. The friendships formed will not soon be forgotten. I recall with great pleasure the pleasant relations between us.

For the many favors received at your hands I return my heartfelt thanks. As the years have passed I trust that our fraternity has grown so strong that nothing can disturb it, but it shall continue while life lasts.

I congratulate our Commander upon the close of a very successful year of service, and upon the fact that he leaves the position amid the sincere regrets of his comrades. I shall look back with pleasure to the visits which it has been my privilege to make with him in various sections of the State. Pleasant were they at the time they occurred, and the memories are delightful to recall. Nor shall I forget the kindness he has uniformly shown to all his comrades, even those of us who are cranks.

In conclusion, I hope that the coming years will cement our bond of comradeship so strong that no disturbing element shall ever be allowed to disturb our much loved Order.

I have the honor to be yours in F., C. and L.,

B. READ WALES, *Inspector.*

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE,
10 TREMONT STREET, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1888.

TO ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I submit the following report of the operations of my Department for the past year:—

I have accompanied the Department Commander in official visits to nineteen Posts in different parts of the State, and at the opening of three fairs. In all these visits we were greeted by the comrades with a true veterans' welcome, and it was most gratifying to find that the Grand Army in Massachusetts was in such a flourishing condition.

I have attended three hearings on application for charters for new Posts in Pittsfield and New Bedford, examined the proceedings and findings in six cases of courts-martial, attended all the meetings of the Council of Administration, and rendered many verbal and thirteen written opinions, on questions submitted to me on various subjects arising in Posts appertaining to Grand Army law.

There is one subject that I feel it my duty to particularly refer to, inasmuch as my opinion has frequently been sought thereon, "The position Posts ought to take in regard to raising money for charitable purposes by games of chance, such as lotteries, etc." There should be no doubt as to the position they ought to take, as raising money by games of chance of any kind is contrary to the law of this Commonwealth. The Legislature of Massachusetts refused to pass a bill to exempt Grand Army Posts from the operation of that law.

The law of the State is supreme as regards regulating the conduct of all persons living within its territorial limits, and all societies and organizations existing within the State are subject to its laws, and no member thereof has any right to violate those laws, though the object sought to be attained, that of raising money to assist needy comrades and the widows and orphans of those who have fallen is a most worthy one. It is, therefore, the duty of members of the Grand Army, as loyal citizens, to conscientiously obey the laws and to aid in maintaining them if necessary.

In closing my year's service I wish to congratulate Commander Nash upon his success in guiding the Department of Massachusetts safely through a year that has been an eventful one in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic; also to extend to him and the members of his Staff my sincere thanks for the many courtesies received and friendship manifested during my official term.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

JOHN A. KEEFE,

Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1888.

Commander: In submitting the report of the doings of the Council of Administration for the year to you, and through you to the Department Convention, we find but little of importance to present.

The duties devolving upon the Council have been promptly and faithfully discharged. Four regular and one special meetings have been held, at which the various questions referred to the Council by the last Department Convention were fully considered, with the following results:—

At the meeting, held March 9, the matter of a new form of inspection was discussed, and a committee appointed to prepare such form. This committee reported in print at the meeting of April 27, and their report was unanimously adopted. The beneficial effects of the doings of this committee are seen in the increased interest in, and effectiveness of, the inspections throughout the Department. The accepted form was presented at the National Encampment at St. Louis, and we point with pride to the fact that it was unanimously adopted for use by the Order.

The matter of holding the Annual Encampment in February, and convening same at 2 o'clock P.M. on the first day, has been favorably considered, and the recommendations adopted by the Council.

It was deemed inexpedient to obtain a larger hall for the holding of the banquet, and it will be held in the old historic spot, Faneuil Hall, at the close of the Convention, it being thought that the interests of the Department would be best served by first completing the business of the Convention before enjoying any festivities.

The books of the Assistant Adjutant-General and Assistant Quartermaster-General have been carefully audited, and the special committee appointed for that purpose report books, vouchers, funds and supplies all in proper form and correctly kept.

To you, Commander, we desire to express our high appreciation of the faithfulness with which you have performed the arduous duties of the year now closing.

To the Assistant Adjutant-General we return our sincere thanks for the very many courtesies received, and for the devotion and zeal with which the duties of his position have ever been performed.

Fraternally,

GEO. L. GOODALE,
WM. A. PRESCOTT,
ARTHUR A. SMITH,
MALCOLM SILLARS,
E. P. JEWETT,

Council of Administration.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1888.

A. C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

Comrade: I have the honor to report that during the past year I have made sixty examinations of veterans making application for pension or increase, and made fifty affidavits in such cases.

Have visited, with the Department Commander, many Posts holding fairs, camp-fires, dedicating G.A.R. halls, etc. I much regret that on account of business I have been unable to devote more time to such pleasant, and to me very interesting occasions. Have attended all but one of the regular meetings of the Council of Administration.

I find many comrades afflicted with disease or its sequence, contracted while in the service from '61 to '65. The most common are from gunshot wounds or their effects, chills and fevers, rheumatism, rupture, varicose veins and paralysis.

I would suggest to physicians, when writing certificates of death of veterans, that when the soldier dies of disease or the result of disease for which he was pensioned, care should be exercised in writing cause of death so that the pension may continue to the widow without delay.

There are few, if any, less than forty years of age in our ranks. As mortality or death-rate just about doubles between forty and fifty, and again between fifty and sixty years of age, twenty-five years hence there will be few left that took an honorable part in one of the most gigantic civil wars the world has ever known. Fortunate and I trust happy, will be the lot of the last survivors.

I have the honor to be yours in F. C. & L.,
J. B. CHERRY,
Medical Director.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF MASS., G.A.R.
Jan. 30, 1888.

ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

Comrade: I have the honor to submit my report as Chaplain. So far as my crowded time permitted, I responded to the calls of the Department Commander, and went with him and his Staff to the always interesting occasions of the various Posts. It was understood when I assumed this chaplaincy that I could do little of this work. I regret for my own sake that I have not met the comrades oftener at their gatherings.

No death has occurred in the active executive membership of our body; but we still keenly mourn the loss of Past Department Commander George H. Patch, a man who was ever active for the cause, in office or out; a comrade of great heart, tireless zeal, deep loyalty, strong sense, and endeared to the rank and file of our Order. He still lives for us in his example and the inspiration of his memory. I need not extend my reference to him since he will be justly described and fitly remembered in the Commander's address.

I would record here the loss from the veterans this past year of two brave characters, General Underwood and General Attwood; both of them lustrous types of the American volunteer; both noble illustrations of the citizen soldier. To the latter especially is the G.A.R. indebted for labors many in its behalf. He believed in the organization thoroughly.

Permit me to express my thanks to my associate officers for the kindly feeling they have continually shown to me, and to the comrades I have met for their uniform courtesy and good-will. A chaplain is looked upon theoretically as a traditional affix to a staff; and in military matters he may be ornamental, but neither necessary nor useful. I am afraid there is a great deal of truth in this popular estimate. But I think there is a place for such a person if he will remember that he is first, last, and always a man and a comrade.

I desire to express my confidence in the Order, and my increased sense of its value, the more I see of its life and workings. There are many not of us who ought to be in our ranks. Let us so conduct our affairs that we may steadily hold the sympathy of the public and gain fresh additions to our rolls.

Most sincerely in F., C. & L.,
EDWARD A. HORTON,

Chaplain.

VETERANS' RIGHTS UNION AND EMPLOYMENT BUREAU
TREASURER'S REPORT.

HEADQUARTERS VETERANS' RIGHTS UNION AND EMPLOYMENT
BUREAU, DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

4 PEMBERTON SQUARE, BOSTON, Jan. 31, 1888.

TO ALFRED C. MONROE, *Assistant Adjutant-General, Department
of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic:*

Comrade: I have the honor herewith to transmit for the information of the Department my report of the receipts and expenses of the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, since

the date of my last annual report to the Department, Jan. 27, 1887, to the close of business, Jan. 31, 1888, as follows :

| | | |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| Balance on hand Jan. 27, 1887 | \$ | 57 53 |
| Received since | | 4,835 70 |
| Total | \$ | 4,893 23 |
| Payments | \$ | 4,825 99 |
| Balance | \$ | 67 24 |

DETAILED STATEMENT OF THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES ON ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL FUND OR RUNNING EXPENSES.

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|---|------------|-----------------|
| Balance date of last annual report | \$ | 6 58 |
| Received since — | | |
| From Department of Massachusetts, G.A.R. | \$3,000 00 | |
| From Post 49, G.A.R. | 10 00 | |
| From Service Pension Association, one half rent of Meionaon | 7 50 | \$3,017 50 |
| Total | \$ | 3,024 08 |

PAYMENTS.

| | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|
| Salaries :— | | |
| Col. C. E. Hapgood, Superintendent | \$1,550 00* | |
| Capt. James H. Marshall, to Dec. 31, 1887 | 660 00 | |
| Comrade Chas. A. Feyhl, since Dec. 31, 1887. | 45 00 | |
| Rent :— | | |
| J. P. Putnam | 367 45 | |
| Proprietors Tremont Temple | 15 00 | |
| Office supplies, including sundry incidental expenses, such as washing floors and windows, putting in coal, errands, repair of furniture, matches, etc. | 97 43 | |
| Stationery, including blank books | 52 36 | |
| Printing | 58 50 | |
| Fuel | 52 60 | |
| Postage | 51 88 | |
| Extra clerk hire | 9 50 | |
| Gas | 2 59 | |
| Total | \$ | 2,962 31 |
| Balance | \$ | 61 77 |

* Fifty dollars (\$50.00) of this amount was due the Superintendent at date of last annual report. — J.E.H.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES ON ACCOUNT OF THE CHARITY FUND.

| | | |
|---|-----------|---------------|
| Balance on hand Jan. 27, 1887 | \$ | 50 95 |
| Receipts since :— | | |
| From sundry Woman's Relief Corps | \$102 00 | |
| From Mass. Commandery of the Loyal Legion | 100 00 | |
| From sundry individuals, in sums from \$10.00 to \$100 00 | 540 00 | |
| From Posts of the G.A.R. | 108 00 | |
| Carried forward | \$ | 850 00 |

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| <i>Brought forward</i> | \$850 00 | 50 95 |
| From the Council of Administration, Department of Mass , G.A.R. | 51 94 | |
| From Union Camp-fire Committee | 25 00 | |
| From loans repaid | 581 08 | |
| From Overseers of the Poor | 60 00 | |
| From sundry parties in small sums from 25 cents to \$5.00 | 192 65 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$1,760 67 | |
| Total | | \$1,811 62 |

PAYMENTS.

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| For transportation | \$322 47 | |
| “ meals | 129 65 | |
| “ lodgings | 115 80 | |
| “ clothing | 25 02 | |
| “ fuel | 15 30 | |
| “ funeral expenses | 193 37 | |
| “ board | 12 00 | |
| Cash donations | 338 36 | |
| “ loans | 650 35 | |
| “ incidentals | 3 83 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$1,806 15 |
| Balance | | \$5 47 |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---|------------|---------|
| Total receipts, including balance last report | \$4,893 23 | |
| “ payments | 4,825 99 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$67 24 |

GENERAL FUND.

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|---|------------|---------|
| Total receipts, including balance | \$3,024 08 | |
| Payments | 2,962 31 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$61 77 |

CHARITY FUND.

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|--|------------|---------|
| Total receipts, including balance | \$1,811 62 | |
| Payments | 1,806 15 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$5 47 |
| Balance General Fund | | \$61 77 |
| Balance Charity Fund | | 5 47 |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$67 24 |
| Deposited with International Trust Co. | \$62 12 | |
| Cash in hands of Treasurer | 5 12 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total | | \$67 24 |

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

J. EDWIN HUNT,
Treasurer.

On motion of Past Department Commander Geo. S. Evans, the address of the Department Commander and officers' reports were referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the Commander.

The Commander appointed as that committee : —

Benjamin Pitman of Post 5 ; Past Department Commander John W. Hersey of Post 16 ; Samuel M. Weale of Post 23 ; William H. Gurney of Post 78 ; James K. Odell of Post 30.

On motion of Past Department Commander Richard F. Tobin, it was voted that when the Encampment adjourn it be to meet at 8 o'clock this evening.

On motion of Comrade I. W. Derby of Post 11, it was voted that the Committee on Commander's Address and Reports of Officers report at the adjourned meeting this evening.

Past Department Commander Tobin presented the following as a telegraphic despatch to be forwarded to the Department of Maine, G.A.R., now in session at Portland : —

BOSTON, MASS., Feb. 8, 1888.

COMMANDER RICHARD K. GATLEY,

Department of Maine, G.A.R., Portland :

The representatives of 20,000 comrades of Massachusetts G.A.R., in Convention assembled, send greeting to their comrades of the Maine Encampment.

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

Past Department Commander Geo. W. Creasey presented the following preamble and resolutions on the death of Past Department Commander George H. Patch, which were unanimously adopted : —

WHEREAS, In the assembling of our Department Encampment today, there is one form we all sadly miss, — one whom we have been accustomed to meet at these annual gatherings, whose cordial greeting, smiling face and earnest words we remember as characterizing our faithful comrade and associate Past Department Commander George H. Patch, who died at his home in South Framingham, July 26, 1887 ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of our beloved comrade, the Grand Army of the Republic, to which he was so devotedly attached, has lost one of its most earnest and zealous advocates, — one who by his eloquent voice and obedient pen, although silent today, has stimulated us to renewed activity and devotion to the great principles of our Order which were so often and so forcibly presented by him as the future strength and glory of our

noble organization. One whose sympathizing nature always prompted him to advocate the cause of the unfortunate; whose kind heart never failed to respond where want and necessity appeared, and whose readiness to do for those less fortunate than himself, was with him a pure and holy offering, and to us a practical exemplification of the Golden Rule.

Resolved, That the great heart of the Grand Army of the Republic of Massachusetts beats in sympathy with the widow of him whom we loved as a friend, honored as a comrade, and today miss as the worthy and brave expounder of the great principles of our Order, which teach Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

On motion of Past Department Commander Evans, it was voted that the Committee on Commander's Address be instructed to present resolutions on the death of Past Department Commander A. B. Underwood.

On motion of Comrade Pitman of Post 5, it was voted that a committee of five be appointed on resolutions. The Commander appointed the following comrades on that committee: —

H. G. O. Weymouth of Post 42; Thos. H. Haskell of Post 11; Geo. N. Munsell of Post 141; W. O. Hawley of Post 178; J. K. Churchill of Post 10.

On motion of Comrade E. B. Macy of Post 19, it was voted that this Encampment endorse the bill known as the "Eight Dollars per Month Service Pension Bill," and that the delegates and representatives from this Department to the National Encampment be instructed to work and to vote for its endorsement by that body.

On motion of Comrade Ivory R. Allen of Post 35, it was voted that the Commander appoint a committee of five to nominate members of the Council of Administration, and to report in print at the morning session. The Commander appointed as that committee: —

Ivory R. Allen of Post 35; W. F. Clerke of Post 2; H. T. Bingham of Post 67; P. H. O'Connell of Post 90; J. A. Horton of Post 174.

Comrade Geo. E. Harrington of Post 23 presented the following resolution, endorsing the pension bill known as the "Per Diem Rated Service Pension Bill": —

Resolved, That this Encampment, representing the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, do heartily endorse Senate Bill, No. 1537, otherwise known as the "Per Diem Rated Service Pen-

sion Bill," now before Congress; and that the Department Commander be instructed to notify United States Senators and Representatives from Massachusetts of the action of this Encampment in relation to said bill, at the earliest possible moment.

Following is a copy of the bill: —

PER DIEM RATED SERVICE PENSION BILL.

A Bill to grant Pensions for Service in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps of the United States.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to place on the pension roll of the United States the names of all persons specified in the following section, upon making due proof that they performed the service specified in said section.

SECT. 2. That persons entitled as beneficiaries under the preceding section are as follows: Any officer or enlisted man who shall have served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States, including regulars and volunteers, subsequent to the 12th of April, 1861, and prior to the 1st day of July, 1865.

SECT. 3. That the rate of pension for such service shall be at the rate per month of one cent for each day's service rendered in the said Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States.

SECT. 4. That the period of service shall be computed from the date of muster into the United States service to the date of discharge; but no pension shall be granted under this act to or on account of any person who deserted prior to July 1, 1865, until he shall have obtained a discharge from the service from which he deserted, and no discharge which was given to any person by reason of re-enlistment as a veteran volunteer, or to enable him to accept a promotion, shall be deemed a discharge from the service within the meaning of this act.

SECT. 5. That pension under this act shall be at the rate specified in Section 3, and shall be paid to the persons entitled thereto for the term of their lives from and after the passage of this bill.

SECT. 6. This bill is intended as a Service Pension Bill, and as an addition to all invalid pensions which have been or may hereafter be granted for disability.

After considerable discussion the resolution was referred to the Committee on Resolutions by a vote of 191 for to 182 against.

On motion of Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66, Comrade "Jack" Crawford of New Mexico, the Poet Scout, was invited into the Encampment and to a seat upon the platform.

Comrade Thomas H. Haskell of Post 11 presented the following resolutions which had been unanimously adopted by Abraham Lincoln Post 11 of Charlestown, with instructions that they be presented to this Encampment: —

HEADQUARTERS ABRAHAM LINCOLN POST 11, G.A.R., }
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS. }

CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT, BOSTON, Feb. 7, 1888.

WHEREAS, In the recent discharge from the Boston Navy Yard (Feb. 1, 1888), three of the four men discharged were persons who had served in the Army and Navy, and which is in opposition to the expressed statements of the President, viz.: "Those who worthily seek public employment have the right to insist that merit and competency shall be recognized instead of party subservience or the surrender of honest political belief," and also in direct violation of the Laws of the United States as contained in the following extracts: —

"SECT. 1754. Persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds, or sickness incurred in the line of duty, *shall* be preferred for appointments to civil offices, provided they are found to possess the business capacity necessary for the proper discharge of the duties of such offices."

SECT. 3, Chapter 287, Laws of 1876, is in part as follows: —

"*Provided*, That in making any reduction of force in any Executive Department, the head of such department *shall* retain those persons who may be equally qualified, who have been honorably discharged from the Military or Naval Service of the United States, and the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers and sailors."

SECT. 1546, Chapter 6, Laws of 1878, as follows: —

"No officer or employee of the Government shall request any workingman in any Navy Yard to contribute or pay any money for political purposes, nor shall any workingman be removed or discharged for political opinions; and any officer or employee of the Government who shall offend against the provisions of this section, shall be dismissed from the service of the United States."

Resolved, That the attention of the President and members of Congress be called, not only to the pledges made during the war (under which pledges thousands devoted the best years of their lives to the defense of their country), but that the laws placed on the statutes since the close of the war, which were passed to carry out and redeem the pledges made during the War of the Rebellion, from 1861 to 1865, and while in foreign countries an honorable discharge from the military or naval service is almost an indispensable prerequisite to appointment in public service, we view with deep regret the *fact* that seven eighths of the

men employed were never in the service, many not even citizens during the war, while others were born during or since that period; and such persons are employed to the exclusion of men whose devotion to their country was proved in battle on land and on sea, and by whose courage and perseverance victory at last was won, and the Union preserved.

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed and copies be sent to the President, Secretary of the Navy, our Senators and Representatives in Congress; the Commander-in-Chief, G.A.R., and Department Commander of Massachusetts, G.A.R.

EVERETT A. STEVENS,

Commander.

M. F. O'NEIL,

Adjutant.

Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade H. G. O. Weymouth of Post 42 presented the following resolution in relation to Past Department Commanders holding permanent membership in the National Encampment, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions: —

Resolved, That the delegates and representatives from this Department to the next National Encampment be, and they are hereby instructed to vote to eliminate Par. 3, Sect. 1, Art. II., Chap. IV., of the Rules and Regulations.

A comrade of Post 57 presented resolutions adopted by that Post on the same subject. As the resolutions were of a similar nature to that proposed by Comrade Weymouth, no action was taken upon them.

Comrade L. E. Jenkins of Post 159 presented the following resolutions condemning the delegates from this Department to the last National Encampment: —

Resolved, That the delegates and representatives elected to represent the several Posts of the Department of Massachusetts in Convention assembled, deem this a fitting occasion to express their disapprobation of the unjustifiable and indefensible action of a part of the delegation from this Department to the late National Encampment at St. Louis

Resolved, That we regard the delegates from this Department to the National Encampment as the trusted agents of its interests; that if the duties imposed upon them are repugnant, they can decline the service, but they have neither a moral nor legal right (after its acceptance) to violate the trust reposed in them.

Resolved, That in setting the instructions of this Department at defiance on the question of Service Pensions, and treating its wishes with contempt, these comrades have demonstrated that they are no

longer worthy of the confidence with which they have heretofore been regarded.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Geo. H. Richardson of Post 185, in behalf of that Post, presented the following resolution which had been adopted by the Post and recommended to this Encampment for adoption. It was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

WHEREAS, A petition to the General Court of Massachusetts of 1887 was presented by Comrade Chas A. Robinson, late Private Co. G, First Massachusetts Cavalry, that he enlisting from Massachusetts be rightfully accredited to the quota of said State, and same being referred to the Legislature of 1888; be it

Resolved, That we, members of Department Convention in meeting assembled, believing this petition an honorable and just one, do urge upon the Military Committee of the General Court a favorable report on same, and that the members of the Senate and House of Representatives be requested to grant said petition as an act of justice.

Comrade Joseph W. Thayer of Post 35 presented the following preamble and resolutions which had been adopted by Post 35. Referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

HEADQUARTERS THEODORE WINTHROP POST 35, G.A.R., }
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS. }

CHELSEA, MASS., Jan. 19, 1888.

At a regular meeting of this Post, held this evening, it was unanimously voted that the Commander and Adjutant, in behalf of the Post, endorse the bill now before the General Court, entitled, An Act for the relief of persons who have served in the Army and Navy of the United States, and their dependent families.

J. W. WHITE,
Adjutant.

WHEREAS, The surviving veterans of the War of the Rebellion have now passed the meridian of life, and many of their number have reached the period of old age, while all are prematurely old by reason of their service or the poverty and want to which they have since been subjected; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we as delegates and representatives of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in Convention assembled, endorse and respectfully recommend to the favorable consideration of the Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts, for the relief of the veteran soldiers, sailors and marines who served in

the military or naval forces of the United States, during the War of the Rebellion, the following Bill, viz.:—

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

An Act for the Relief of Persons who have Served in the Army or Navy of the United States, and their Dependent Families.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:—

SECTION 1. Whenever any person, three years or more resident in this State, not under guardianship or legal restraint, who served in the Army or Navy of the United States in the War of the Rebellion and received an honorable discharge, shall from any cause become poor and unable to provide maintenance for himself and dependent family, such person, his wife, widow or minor children, or such of said children as are unable to maintain themselves, shall be supported at public expense, at their own home, or such other place, other than the town, county or State almshouse, as the selectmen or overseers of the poor may think right and proper in such town or city.

SECT. 2. The necessary expense of such maintenance shall be paid by the town, city or county liable under existing laws for the support of such soldier or sailor.

SECT. 3. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed

SECT. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

Comrade F. E. Farnham of Post 50 presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:—

Resolved, That the Department Commander be requested to cause all representatives from this Department to the National Encampment to be notified in writing of such instructions as may be given to them by the Convention,

On motion of Past Department Commander Tobin, a committee of fifteen was appointed to nominate a list of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment, and report in print at tomorrow morning's session. The Commander appointed the following committee:—

G. W. Wilson of Post 5; Wm. B. Daly of Post 15; E. T. Putnam of Post 19; John Kelley of Post 139; E. S. Horton of Post 145; C. A. R. Dimon of Post 42; Wm. H. Brown of Post 82; E. B. Savage of Post 47; S. W. Mann of Post 63; Nathaniel Shatswell of Post 128; Geo. E. Hagar of Post 187; C. B. Barton of Post 37; L. B. Simonds of Post 125; H. V. Ladd of Post 41; Thomas E. Cutler of Post 49.

On motion of Comrade J. E. Reid of Post 15, it was voted that in the election of officers the vote be taken by Posts, and

that at the call of the Assistant Adjutant-General the Posts file by the committee appointed to receive, sort and count votes.

Comrade Jeremiah Norris of Post 35 presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions : —

Resolved, That the grave-marker invented by Comrade Henry F. Jenks be approved and recommended to the Posts of this Department.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68 moved that the Committee on Navy Records appointed at the last Department Encampment be instructed to continue their labors during the coming year. The motion was adopted. The committee consists of the following named comrades : Chas. B. Fox Post of 68 ; P. H. Kendricken of Post 113 ; G. A. Churchill of Post 68 ; Richard F. Tobin of Post 2 ; and John A. Keefe of Post 15.

It was voted that the Convention adjourn until eight o'clock this evening. Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 8 P.M. by Department Commander Nash.

On motion of Past Department Commander Evans, the Assistant Adjutant-General was directed to send the greetings of this Department to the Department of Massachusetts, Woman's Relief Corps, in session at Parker Memorial Hall, and to bid them success and God-speed in the noble work in which they are engaged.

It was voted, on motion of Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, that when we adjourn it be to meet at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Comrade Wilbur F. Lane of Post 7 moved that the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated for the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, same as last year. Referred to Committee on Commander's Address.

Comrade W. A. Stinson of Post 120 presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions :—

Resolved, That any Post of this Department refusing to assist deserving comrades and widows and orphans of our late comrades in arms, whether members of the G.A.R. or not, are acting contrary to the spirit of the Rules and Regulations, and to their oaths taken before the altar.

The Assistant Adjutant-General read the following communication from the Department of Massachusetts, Woman's Relief Corps, in Convention assembled: —

PARKER MEMORIAL HALL, }
BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1888. }

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER CHAS. D. NASH.

Dear Sir: By vote of this Department Convention today, I am instructed to express our most cordial thanks for all the courtesies received from you and your associates during the past year.

Please accept our sincere greetings and the assurance that your organization will ever receive loyal support from the Woman's Relief Corps.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

MARY E. ELLIOT,

Department Secretary.

On motion of Past Department Commander Evans of Post 30, the Assistant Adjutant-General was directed to send the kindly remembrance of his comrades of this Department to Past Department Commander Horace Binney Sargent, now in California, but to whose efforts are largely due the establishment of the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea.

Comrade Benjamin Pitman, chairman of the Committee on Commander's Address and Reports of Officers, submitted the following resolutions on the death of Past Department Commander A. B. Underwood, which were unanimously adopted: —

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to remove by death our honored comrade, Past Department Commander A. B. Underwood, whose social virtues, no less than his distinguished military service, had endeared him to every comrade of this Department, whose honors he bore worthily, and whose worth was only equalled by his modest and unassuming character; therefore be it

Resolved, That society has suffered a severe loss in the death of our esteemed comrade, the community a most patriotic and worthy citizen, the Department of Massachusetts G. A. R. a distinguished and honored comrade, whom it was our privilege to love and respect, and the Grand Army of the Republic a true and faithful supporter.

Resolved, That it will be our privilege to remember his many virtues and keep his memory green, as one whose military services and social qualities endeared him to all our hearts

Resolved, That these Resolutions be spread upon the records of the Encampment and a copy sent to his family.

The same committee reported on the various recommenda-

tions in the Commander's address and officer's reports as follows: —

First. That the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated for the travelling and hotel expenses of the Department Commander when on official duty, and when not otherwise provided for, and also of any other Department Officer when acting in his stead. Adopted.

Second. That the expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General to the National Encampment be borne by the Encampment. Adopted.

Third. That the sum of six hundred dollars be appropriated for clerk hire in the office of the Assistant Adjutant-General. Adopted.

Fourth. In our opinion the present financial condition of the Department will not warrant the appropriation asked for by the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, and your committee recommend that no further appropriation be made.

This report of the committee called forth an animated discussion, which was participated in by many of the comrades, including an elaborate and intelligent report of the doings of the Bureau by its Superintendent, Comrade Charles E. Hapgood of Post 143. The recommendation of the committee was adopted by a large majority, and a committee of five appointed, to report tomorrow morning as to the disposition to be made of the institution. The committee consists of Comrades John Welch of Post 42; Wilbur F. Lane of Post 7; H. H. Comens of Post 40; Chas. B. Fox of Post 68; and Samuel M. Weale of Post 23.

Fifth. The committee cordially endorse the suggestions of the Department Inspector relating to inspections, and recommend that the incoming Council of Administration consider the propriety of revising the Installation Service. Recommendation adopted.

Sixth. The recommendation of the Medical Director relating to physician's certificate of death of veterans, so that the pension may be continued to the widow or other dependents, meets the cordial approval of the committee, and they recommend its adoption. Adopted.

It was voted that 11 o'clock tomorrow morning be assigned as the hour at which to proceed to the election of officers.

Comrade H. G. O. Weymouth, Chairman, presented report of Committee on Resolutions, as follows : —

On resolutions offered by Comrade George E. Harrington of Post 23, that the Encampment endorse the pension bill known as the "Per Diem Service Pension Bill," the committee report that while the bill has many merits, it is deemed inexpedient to endorse it, in view of the fact that the Encampment has already nearly unanimously endorsed the "Eight Dollars per Month Service Pension Bill." The report of the committee gave rise to an animated and interesting discussion upon the relative merits of the Eight Dollars per Month and Per Diem Service Pension Bills, which was participated in by a large number of comrades. The recommendation of the committee was finally adopted by a large majority.

On resolutions presented by Abraham Lincoln Post 11 of Charlestown, protesting against the discharge of veterans from the Navy Yard and the substitution of men who never served in the army or navy, the committee report in favor of resolutions and recommend their adoption. Report of committee unanimously adopted.

At 10.15 P.M., on the motion of Comrade W. A. Prescott of Post 35, the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 A.M. tomorrow.

TREMONT TEMPLE, BOSTON, Feb. 9, 1888.

Department Commander Charles D. Nash called the Encampment to order at 9 o'clock A.M.

Department Chaplain E. A. Horton invoked the divine blessing.

Assistant Adjutant-General Monroe presented the final report of the Committee on Credentials, as follows : —

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| Number of comrades entitled to seats in this Encampment. | 639 |
| Number present | 565 |

Divided as follows : —

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| Department Officers | 15 |
| Past Department Commanders | 7 |
| Post Commanders | 160 |
| Delegates | 383 |
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| Total | 565 |

Assistant Adjutant-General Monroe read the following telegram received from the Department of Maine, G.A.R., in Encampment assembled at Portland : —

A. C. MONROE, A.A.G.,

Department of Massachusetts, G. A. R., Boston.

Your brotherly greetings just received. Assure our comrades of Massachusetts that Maine now, as in the war, stands by her side in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

RICHARD K. GATLEY,

Department Commander.

The Committee on Resolutions, through its chairman, Comrade Weymouth, proceeded with its report. On the resolution presented by Comrade Weymouth of Post 42, to exclude Past Department Commanders from seats in the National Encampment, the committee reported in favor of the adoption of the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the delegates and representatives from this Department to the next National Encampment be, and they are hereby, instructed to vote to eliminate Par. 3, Sec. 1, Art. II., Chap. IV., of the Rules and Regulations, and that hereafter no comrade shall have voice or vote in the National Encampment without corresponding responsibility to the Department in which he holds membership.

After a warm discussion, Comrade E. R. Wheeler of Post 37 presented the following amendment: That the delegates and representatives from this Department to the National Encampment be, and they are hereby, instructed to vote to change Par. 3, Sec. 1, Art. II, Chap. IV, of the Rules and Regulations, so as to read after the words, “in good standing in their several Posts,” *except that they shall have no vote unless they are officers or past officers of the National Encampment.* The amendment was adopted, and the resolution as amended was then adopted.

Past Department Commander J. G. B. Adams presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions : —

Resolved, That the delegates to the National Encampment be also instructed to use their influence and vote in favor of so changing the Rules and Regulations as to exclude the Past Department Commanders from holding permanent membership in the various Departments to which they belong.

It was announced that Commander-in-Chief John P. Rea, accompanied by Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief John C. Linnehan, were at the outpost. Commander Nash detailed Past Commander-in-Chief George S. Merrill to escort the Commander-in-Chief to the platform.

The Commander-in-Chief was accompanied by the following members of his staff:—Comrades Henry P. Oakman of Post 68; Warren O. Hawley of Post 178; George A. Woodbury, 2d, of Post 89; Asa L. Kneeland of Post 10; George Perkins of Post 161; Alva J. Wilson of Post 92; J. B. Brewster of Post 76, and Charles G. Davis of Post 15.

Commander Nash, in a few well chosen remarks, welcomed the Commander-in-Chief and introduced him to the Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief Rea delivered a short but eloquent address, in which he stated that he found that the place to come to to learn the true comradeship of the Grand Army of the Republic was among the hills of New England and along the Atlantic seaboard. This he considered the grandest fraternity in the world, and he was happy to be able to state, from a telegram received last night, that eight Departments showed large gains during the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1887. The remarks were received with great enthusiasm by the Encampment.

The Committee on Resolutions resumed its report, and unanimously recommended the adoption of the resolutions presented by Comrade L. E. Jenkins of Post 159, condemning the action of delegates to National Encampment for refusing to obey the instructions of the Department. After some discussion, the matter was laid upon the table.

On resolution of Comrade George H. Richardson, in relation to case of Charles A. Robinson, Co. G, First Massachusetts Cavalry, the committee unanimously recommend its adoption. Adopted.

On resolution of Post 35, endorsing a bill now before the Legislature of Massachusetts, requiring aid to be furnished to needy soldiers at their homes instead of in public institutions, the committee unanimously recommend its adoption. Adopted.

The resolution of Comrade F. E. Farnham, that delegates to National Encampment be notified in writing of such instructions as may be given them by the Department Encampment, was unanimously recommended by the committee and adopted.

On resolution of Comrade W. A. Stinson of Post 120, in relation to rendering assistance to veterans not members of the G.A.R., their widows and orphans, the committee recommend that the matter be referred to the incoming Council of Administration for its serious consideration. The recommendation was adopted.

On resolution of Comrade Jeremiah Norris, that the grave-marker invented by Comrade Henry F. Jenks be recommended by this Department. the committee report:—

Your committee consider the design a worthy and appropriate one; but deem it inexpedient to make any further recommendations.

Recommendation of committee was adopted.

On motion of Past Department Commander Tobin, it was voted to proceed to the election of officers.

On motion, the Commander appointed the following named comrades as committee to collect, sort and count ballots for Commander:—

C. M. Whelden of Post 125; C. D. W. Marcy of Post 68; W. N. Tyler of Post 12; E. F. Rollins of Post 15; F. O. Kendall of Post 39.

Nominations were made for the office of Department Commander, as follows:—

Comrade Charles D. Stiles of Post 68 presented the name of Department Senior Vice-Commander E. C. Whitney of Post 68.

Comrade E. F. Rollins of Post 15 presented the name of Comrade James A. Fox of Post 15.

Comrade W. N. Tyler of Post 12 presented the name of Comrade A. S. Atherton of Post 12.

Past Department Commander John W. Hersey of Post 16 presented the name of Comrade Myron P. Walker of Post 97.

The first ballot for Commander resulted as follows:—

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| Whole number of votes | 565 |
| Necessary for choice | 283 |
| Myron P. Walker had | 183 |
| A. S. Atherton " | 145 |
| E. C. Whitney " | 141 |
| James A. Fox " | 96 |

and there was no choice.

The second ballot resulted as follows :—

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| Whole number of votes | 533 |
| Necessary for choice | 267 |
| Myron P. Walker had | 229 |
| A. S. Atherton “ | 158 |
| E. C. Whitney “ | 106 |
| James A. Fox “ | 39 |

and there was no choice.

Under the rules, the name of Comrade Fox, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes, was dropped, and the result of the third ballot was as follows :—

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| Whole number of votes | 544 |
| Necessary for choice | 273 |
| Myron P. Walker had | 337 |
| A. S. Atherton had | 131 |
| E. C. Whitney had | 76 |

And Comrade Myron P. Walker of Post 97, Belchertown, was declared elected Commander, and his election was made unanimous upon motion of Comrade E. C. Whitney.

Pending the result of the ballot for Commander, a committee of five was appointed to collect, sort and count ballots for Senior Vice-Commander, as follows :—

A. B. Pierce of Post 63; A. A. Smith of Post 20; J. H. Whitney of Post 66; L. W. Clarke of Post 23; J. W. Abbott of Post 19.

Comrade Wm. H. Hart of Post 35 presented the name of Comrade Samuel M. Weale of Post 23 for Senior Vice-Commander.

Past Department Commander Tobin presented the name of Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66.

The result of the ballot for Senior Vice-Commander was as follows :—

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| Whole number of votes | 498 |
| Necessary for choice | 250 |
| Geo. L. Goodale had | 280 |
| Samuel M. Weale had | 202 |
| Lucius Field had | 15 |
| A. S. Atherton had | 1 |

And Comrade Geo. L. Goodale of Post 66, Medford, was declared elected Senior Vice-Commander. On motion of Comrade S. M. Weale, the election was made unanimous.

On motion of Past Department Commander Tobin, it was voted to proceed to the election of Junior Vice-Commander, and the following named comrades were appointed a committee to collect, sort and count ballots: —

L. B. Simons of Post 125; Chas. H. Ross of Post 2; Stillman Stone of Post 19; F. H. Rice of Post 10; J. E. Gilman of Post 26.

The following nominations were made for Junior Vice-Commander: —

Comrade Benjamin Pitman of Post 5 presented the name of Comrade Geo. H. Innis of Post 2.

Comrade J. E. Reid of Post 15 presented the name of Comrade E. B. Macy of Post 19.

Comrade C. W. Putnam of Post 10 presented the name of Comrade T. Spencer Jenks of Post 10.

Comrade John E. Gilman of Post 26 presented the name of Comrade John E. Killian of Post 26.

Committee reported on first ballot for Junior Vice-Commander as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 490 |
| Necessary for choice | 246 |
| Geo. H. Innis had | 205 |
| T. Spencer Jenks had | 113 |
| John E. Killian had | 101 |
| E. B. Macy had | 71 |

And there being no choice, the Encampment proceeded to a second ballot, with the following result: —

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| Whole number of votes | 472 |
| Necessary for choice | 237 |
| Geo. H. Innis had | 310 |
| John E. Killian had | 84 |
| T. Spencer Jenks had | 72 |
| E. B. Macy had | 6 |

And Comrade Geo. H. Innis of Post 2, South Boston, was

declared elected Junior Vice-Commander. On motion of Comrade T. Spencer Jenks the election was made unanimous.

On motion to proceed to the election of Medical Director, Comrade A. M. Dudley of Post 34 presented the name of Comrade Benj. A. Sawyer of Post 47. Comrade C. B. Scudder of Post 125 presented the name of Comrade E. D. Hutchins of Post 176. Past Department Commander Geo. W. Creasey presented the name of Comrade Geo. N. Munsell of Post 141.

The committee appointed to collect, sort and count votes for Junior Vice-Commander were appointed to perform the same duty for Medical Director, and the result of the ballot was as follows: —

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| Whole number of votes | 339 |
| Necessary for choice | 170 |
| Benj. A. Sawyer had | 170 |
| Geo. N. Munsell had | 129 |
| E. D. Hutchins had | 35 |
| R. A. Blood had | 5 |

And Comrade Benjamin A. Sawyer of Post 47, Haverhill, was declared elected Medical Director, and the election was made unanimous.

On motion of Past Department Commander Adams, the Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed to cast one ballot bearing the name of Comrade E. A. Horton for Chaplain. The ballot being cast, Comrade E. A. Horton of Post 113, Boston, was declared unanimously elected Chaplain.

The committee appointed to present the names of five comrades for the Council of Administration presented the names of the following comrades, and upon ballot they were declared elected members of the Council of Administration for the ensuing year: —

Wm. A. Prescott of Post 35; Arthur A. Smith of Post 20; E. P. Jewett of Post 91; Malcolm Sillars of Post 90; Albert C. Andrews of Post 45.

The committee appointed to nominate a list of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment made its report in print. After substituting the names of Comrades A. S. Atherton of Post 12 and James A. Fox of Post 15 for those of Benj. S. Lovell and W. C. Pomeroy as Delegate-at-Large and Alternate-at-Large

respectively, and making corrections in the printed list, the Assistant Adjutant-General was directed to cast one ballot, comprising the names as corrected, which was done, and the following named comrades were declared elected delegates and alternates to the next National Encampment:—

DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

A. S. Atherton Post 12, Wakefield

DELEGATES.

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| E. W. Hall | Post | 5, Lynn |
| H. G. O. Weymouth | " | 42, Lowell |
| E. B. Macy | " | 19, Fitchburg |
| John Kelley | " | 139, Somerville |
| E. S. Horton | " | 145, Attleboro |
| Wm. B. Daly | " | 15, Boston |
| Joseph Gregory | " | 82, Marblehead |
| W. S. Hixon | " | 35, Chelsea |
| A. B. Peirce | " | 63, Natick |
| Morris Schaff | " | 125, Pittsfield |
| Geo. A. Woodbury, 2d | " | 89, Beverly |
| Jason Mann | " | 150, Montague |
| John A. Pettsinger | " | 41, Westfield |
| John M. Deane | " | 46, Fall River |
| S. M. Weale | " | 23, East Boston |
| John Best | " | 75, Stoneham |
| Arthur A. Smith | " | 20, Colerain |
| Wm. L. Robinson | " | 10, Worcester |
| E. W. Lathrop | " | 16, Springfield |
| Perley Goddard | " | 24, Grafton |

ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

James A. Fox Post 15, Boston

ALTERNATES.

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| J. W. Young | Post | 5, Lynn |
| Dennis Meehan | " | 7, Boston |
| Aldrich Cook | " | 53, Leominster |
| M. D. Jones | " | 139, Somerville |
| Chas. S. Anthony | " | 3, Taunton |
| E. F. Rollins | " | 15, Boston |

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| A. J. Lowd | Post 34, Salem |
| A. Le Bosquett | " 47, Haverhill |
| Geo. S. Fairweather | " 80, Westboro |
| Edwin Northrop | " 187, Dalton |
| Henry Bemis | " 37, Spencer |
| Wm. F. Harrington | " 125, Pittsfield |
| Wm. Provin | " 41, Westfield |
| J. O. Thurber | " 76, Plymouth |
| R. M. Spinney | " 66, Medford |
| J. W. Sawyer | " 95, Saugus |
| Thomas E. Cutter | " 49, Newburyport |
| E. D. Hutchins | " 176, Huntington |
| James L. Bowen | " 16, Springfield |
| R. B. Wight | " 63, Natick |

Comrade Weymouth, in behalf of the Committee on Resolutions, reported unfavorably on the resolution of Past Department Commander Adams that the delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to vote to so amend the Rules and Regulations as to prevent Past Department Commanders from holding permanent seats in the Department Encampments. The report of the committee was adopted and the resolution defeated.

Comrade Chas. B. Fox of Post 68, in behalf of the Committee on Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, presented the following resolution, which was accepted and adopted: —

Resolved, That the subject of the support of the "Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau" be referred to the incoming Council of Administration, with instructions to procure, if possible, an appropriation from the Legislature in its behalf, in the belief that the efficient working of the Bureau, the aid it has extended to disabled and destitute soldiers, the widow and the orphan, the assistance it has rendered to comrades in the presentation of claims for pensions or support, will amply justify the appeal.

Comrade A. H. Spencer of Post 68 presented the following resolution in relation to the Sons of Veterans' organization, which was adopted: —

Resolved, That the Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic, in Convention assembled, desire to express its appreciation of, and cordial co-operation with, the labors of its junior organization and legitimate heir and successor, the Sons of Veterans; and to express

the sincere hope that the Sons may be prepared to take up and carry forward our work when, by advancing years, we must relinquish it.

Department Inspector B. Read Wales drew attention to some corrections he desired to make in his report, and which would appear in the printed proceedings of the Encampment.

Upon request of the Commander, Past Department Commander John D. Billings installed the following named comrades into their respective offices : —

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| Dept. S.V.-C. | George L. Goodale. |
| Dept. J.V.-C. | George H. Innis. |
| Dept. Medical Director | Benjamin A. Sawyer. |
| Council of Administration . . . | { Arthur A. Smith. |
| | { E. P. Jewett. |
| | { Malcolm Sillars. |
| | { Albert C. Andrews. |

There being no further business, the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, was declared dissolved.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A C MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

In Memoriam

- POST 1. N. H. Dillingham, age 50; corporal, Co. H, 38th Mass.
 POST 1. James Barton, age 73; lieutenant-col., 3d Mass.
 POST 2. Granville T. Spooner, age 53; private, Co. G, 1st Mass. Inf.
 POST 2. C. F. King, age 48; 1st lieutenant, Co. E, 145th N.Y.
 POST 2. M. G. Wood, age 46; private, Co. B, 1st Vt. Inf.
 POST 2. John Galvin, age 44; landsman, U.S. Navy
 POST 2. C. S. Hildreth, age 50; private, Co. I, 24th Maine Inf.
 POST 3. Willis S. Potter, age 39; private Co. G, 4th Mass.
 POST 3. Chas. H. Benton, age 42; private, Co. I, 3d Mass.
 POST 3. Wm. J. Briggs, age 53; lieutenant, Co. G, 4th Mass.
 POST 3. G. W. Carver, age 48; private, 3d Mass.
 POST 3. David D. Babbitt, age 55; private, Co. K, 4th Mass.
 POST 3. Samuel Bostock, age 67; private, Co. A, 7th Mass.
 POST 5. W. H. Webber, age 52; corporal, Co. I, 30th Mass.
 POST 5. M. M. Andrews, age 48; private, Co. K, 17th Maine.
 POST 5. J. J. McKerney, age 44; sergeant, Co. K, 2d Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. Michael Breen, age 39; private, Co. F, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. Robt. L. Muskland, age 49; private, Co. E, 50th Mass.
 POST 5. Samuel Gardner, age 62; private, Co. M, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. C. F. Kelley, age 48; 1st sergeant, Co. I, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. W. R. Field, age 49; private, Co. M, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. Geo. M. Richardson, age 41; private, 14th Maine.
 POST 5. R. F. Alexander, age 50; private, Co. D, 5th Maine.
 POST 5. Samuel Childs, age 47; private, Co. H, 1st Mass. Inf.
 POST 5. Robt. W. Jessop, age 60; private, Co. A, 17th Mass. Inf.
 POST 5. Elias Brooks, age 56; private, 29th Unattached Mass. Inf.
 POST 5. Edward A. Bridge, age 57; private, Co. C, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. Samuel S. Pittengill, age 60; assistant engineer, U.S. Navy.
 POST 5. Benj. F. West, age 51; private, Co. G, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. James Moloney, age 38; sergeant, Co. C, — Pa.
 POST 5. A. Blanchard, age 58; private, Co. D, 1st Batt. Mass. H.A.
 POST 5. A. J. Cheever, age 58; private, Co. H, 11th Mass.
 POST 5. M. Fitzgerald, age 71; private, Co. A, 28th Mass.
 POST 7. Wm. Pierer, age 44; corporal, Co. K, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 7. D. J. Donovan, age 44; private, Co. I, 13th Mass.
 POST 7. James Davis, age 44; teamster, Co. C, 32d Mass.
 POST 7. Daniel McNamara, age 60; private, Co. B, 21st Mass.
 POST 7. Watson Avery, age 62; private, Co. I, 2d Mass. H.A.
 POST 7. John Murphy, age 64; private, Co. H, 2d Mass. Inf.
 POST 7. Wm. Fortune, age 40; ordinary seaman, U.S. Navy.
 POST 7. Wm. Scott, age 46; private, Co. D, 24th Mass.
 POST 7. H. W. Slocomb, age 46; private, Co. E, 30th Mass.
 POST 7. Jos. H. Daniels, age 45; private, Co. H, 5th Mass.
 POST 7. Geo. W. Stoddard, age 56; private, Co. H, 13th Mass.
 POST 7. Wm. S. Ormsby, age 46; private, 9th N.H.
 POST 7. Alvin D. Burns, age 48; private, Co. B, 4th Maine
 POST 8. C. M. Vaughan, age 72; drum major, 18th Mass.

- POST 10. Jas. J. McLane, age 48; captain, 1st N.C.V.
 POST 11. Wm. H. Russell, surgeon's steward, U.S. Navy, ship *Tacomy*.
 POST 11. John H. Campbell, age 46; cook, U.S. B. *Kingfisher*.
 POST 12. Solomon Thomas, age 65; corporal, Co. E, 18th Mass.
 POST 12. J. F. Newman, musician, Co. E, 50th Mass.
 POST 12. Wm. Newhall, age 67; private, Co. H, 23d Mass.
 POST 13. F. M. Sturtevant, age 50; private, Co. H, 3d Mass. H.A.
 POST 14. M. O. Connors, age 52; private, Co. F, 20th Mass.
 POST 15. Philip Ritner, age 51; private, Co. F, 3d N. J. Inf.
 POST 15. Wm. Clemons, age 46; private, Co. B, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 15. John Burns, age 48; private, 2d U. S. Inf.
 POST 15. W. A. Wikidal, age 42; private, Co. E, 104th Ohio.
 POST 15. Michael Leonard, age 41; musician, Co. C, 136th N. Y.
 POST 16. Wm. D. Phelps, age 47; private, Co. H, 42d Mass.
 POST 16. A. F. Blackman, age 41, private, Co. A, 24th Conn.
 POST 16. Geo. M. Taylor, age 41; private, Co. A, 8th Mass.
 POST 16. Nathan E. Abbott, age 54; private, Co. B, 36th Mass.
 POST 19. Geo. S. Gilchrist, age 58; private, Co. B, 15th Mass.
 POST 19. Aaron Wilkins, age 66; corporal, Co. F, 57th Mass.
 POST 19. Ai Foster, age 73; private, Co. B, 53d Mass.
 POST 22. Wm. H. Burlingame, age 46; private, Co. A, 36th Mass.
 POST 22. Joseph Atwood, age 66; private, 14th Mass. Batty.
 POST 24. G. F. Gourdan, age 52; private, Co. E, 51st Mass.
 POST 24. Henry G. Rice, age 53; private, Co. D, 30th Mass.
 POST 26. John Coullahan, age 39; private, Co. K, 1st Mass.
 POST 26. Henry Lysholm, age 44; private, Co. B, 20th Mass.
 POST 26. Edgar H. Farnum, age 63; private, Co. B, 44th Mass.
 POST 30. F. E. Burton, age 43; sergeant, Co. A, 16th Mass.
 POST 31. Gustavus P. Pratt, age 47; brigade surgeon, 19th Mass.
 POST 31. Edwin Studley, age 52; private, Co. C, 4th H.A.
 POST 32. James Faber, 1st class fireman, U.S. Navy, ship *Kennebec*.
 POST 33. John O'Brien, age 63; private, Co. I, 4th Mass. H.A.
 POST 34. Wm. B. Hayford, age 65; private, Co. G, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 34. Abram F. Barenson, age 44; private, Co. M, 2d Mass. Cav.
 POST 34. Martin Netter, age 63; private, 35th Mass. Inf.
 POST 34. S. J. Wheatland, age 61; private, 54th Mass. Inf.
 POST 34. E. L. Warner, age 57; private, 4th Mass. Batty.
 POST 34. Peter Cronin, age 50; private, Co. F, 12th N.Y. Cav.
 POST 35. Elija E. Briggs, age 67; private, Co. C, 35th Mass.
 POST 35. Thos. E. Arnold, age 44; private, Co. I, 20th Maine.
 POST 35. Timothy Hurley, age 51; private, Co. H, 4th U. S. Inf.
 POST 36. W. H. Barnes, age 47; private, Co. B, 24th Mass.
 POST 39. Wm. Shackford, private, Co. H, 4th Mass.
 POST 39. John K. Tarbox, 1st lieutenant, Co. B, 4th Mass.
 POST 39. John W. Wiley, private, Co. C, 40th Mass.
 POST 39. Thos. Cohen, fireman, U.S. Navy.
 POST 39. John Harris, U.S. Corps, Marines.
 POST 39. A. J. Butterfield, sergeant, Co. F, 6th Mass.
 POST 39. Wm. A. Clark, private, Co. F, 13th N.Y.
 POST 39. David Dana, surgeon, 1st H. A.
 POST 39. Edward A. Fiske.
 POST 40. Geo. W. Pope, age 71; musician, Co. H, 4th Mass.
 POST 40. Wm. T. Biathrow, age 39; sergeant, Co. C, 1st N.H. Cav.
 POST 42. John Delaney, age 47; sergeant, Co. F, 30th Mass.
 POST 42. John Flood, age 50; private, Co. H, 6th Mass.
 POST 42. W. H. Kenniston, age 49; teamster, Co. H, 39th Mass.
 POST 42. John E. Quinn, age 50; 1st lieutenant, Co. G, 75th U.S.C.T.
 POST 42. Francis Maguire, age 63; private, Co. B, 30th Mass.
 POST 43. Austin W. Russell, age 52; private, Co. E, 5th Mass.

- POST 45. Samuel Tupper, age 67; sergeant, Co. B, 56th Mass.
 POST 45. John F. Foster, age 57; corporal, Co. F, 35th Mass.
 POST 45. James Connors, age 41; seaman, U S. Navy, ship *Hartford*.
 POST 45. John L. Duby, age 45; private, Co. A, 3d Mass. H. A.
 POST 46. Geo. Fleet, age 58; private, Co. G, 26th Mass.
 POST 46. Michael Kelly, age 45; private, Co. A, 7th Mass.
 POST 46. Patrick S. Farron, fireman, U S. Navy.
 POST 46. Thos. Fitzgibbons, age 71; private, Co. C, 3d Mass.
 POST 46. Benj. Greene, age 65; private, Co. E, 12th R.I.
 POST 47. Alonzo L. Messer, age 51; private, Co. C, 50th Mass.
 POST 47. Moses W. Downes, age 62; private, Co. I, 35th Mass.
 POST 47. Chas. S. Wheeler, age 55; private, Co. F, 17th Mass.
 POST 49. John Burke, age 60; private, Co. A, 17th Mass.
 POST 49. Isaac Swan, age 56; private, Co. A, 8th Mass.
 POST 49. Nathan Massay, age 57; private, Co. B, 40th N.Y.
 POST 50. Wm. D. Butts, age 44; engineer, U S. Navy.
 POST 53. H. C. Balch, age 44; private, Co. G, 6th Vt.
 POST 53. Daniel D. Stran, private, Co. A, 6th N. H.
 POST 54. Edward H. Hartshorn, age 43; private, Co. I, 5th Mass.
 POST 54. Warren I. Stetson, age 43; sergeant, Co. I, 13th Mass.
 POST 57. Chas. McGlone, age 56; private, Co. A, 9th Mass.
 POST 57. Jos. Brahm, age 56; private, Co. F, 41st Mass.
 POST 57. John R. Darling, age 57; private, Co. F, 17th Mass.
 POST 57. John Vigneron, age 63; private, Co. D, 74th N.Y.
 POST 58. James Ford, age 53; private, Co. I, 19th Mass.
 POST 58. Benj. L. Cady, age 63; private, Co. H, 35th Mass.
 POST 58. Patrick Ward, age 59; private, Co. F, 3d Mass. H. A.
 POST 59. W. H. Sawyer, age 45; corporal, Co. K, 53d Mass.
 POST 59. Chas. W. Gill, age 61; private, Co. C, 34th Mass.
 POST 63. R. Washburn, age 48; private, Co. I, 39th Mass.
 POST 63. Turner Whiting, age 49; private, Co. I, 2d Mass.
 POST 63. Wm. A. Cutler, age 53; colonel, 37th U.S.C. T.
 POST 63. Geo. H. Patch, age 42; private, Co. I, 19th Mass.
 POST 67. Edward Baker, age 46; ordinary seaman, U.S. Navy, ship
 Santiago.
 POST 72. Luther S. Bryant, age 62; corporal, Co. I, 12th Mass.
 POST 72. John Dooley, age 51; private, Co. K, 9th Mass.
 POST 74. L. D. Foster, age 58; private, Co. G, 43d Mass.
 POST 75. A. J. Dow, age 50; private, 13th Mass.
 POST 76. Daniel Dunham, age 52; private, Co. C, 18th Mass.
 POST 76. T. Harvey Bartlett, age 53; private, Co. H, 58th Mass.
 POST 76. W. B. Burnes, age 60; engineer, U.S. Navy, ship *Minnesota*.
 POST 78. Edward F. Freeman, age 54; ordinary seaman, U S. Navy,
 ship *Vermont*.
 POST 78. S. M. Thompson, age 52; corporal, 20th Unattached.
 POST 82. Nathaniel P. Doliber, age 59; private, Co. C, 8th Mass.
 POST 82. Henry A. Walton, age 45; private, Co. G, 3d Mass. H. A.
 POST 82. Geo. Mason, age 65; private, Co. E, 100th N.Y.
 POST 86. Mathew C. Clair, age 48; private, Co. A, 27th Mass.
 POST 88. Geo. W. Collier, age 60; private, Co. D, 39th Mass.
 POST 88. John A. Pratt, age 57; lieutenant, Co. K, 18th Mass.
 POST 88. Chas. E. French, age 56; wagoner, Co. E, 7th Mass.
 POST 94. John Parks, age 79; private, Co. A, 4th Mass.
 POST 100. Dexter B. Fogg, age 59; private, Co. G, 12th N.H.
 POST 102. John M. Bumpus, age 54; private, Co. I, 23d Maine.
 POST 108. Wm. Gamage, age 70; private, Co. C, 19th Mass.
 POST 113. Jas. A. Martin, age 47; corporal, Co. F, 1st Mass.
 POST 113. Geo. C. Phillips, age 45; corporal, Co. C, 10th Mass.
 POST 116. Chas. P. White, age 50; private, Co. A, 1st Batt. H.A.

- POST 120. Francis Lacroix, age 70; private, Co. D, 1st Vt. H.A.
 POST 121. Geo. C. Tinkham, age 44; U.S. Navy.
 POST 121. Sylvanus Cobb, Jr., age 63; captain, U.S. Marines
 POST 121. Andrew J. Ross, age 51; private, Co. C, 5th U.S. Inf.
 POST 121. Oliver Colburn, age 69; acting master, U.S. Navy, ship
 Sampero.
 POST 122. Hazen Davis, age 47; private, Co. B, 1st Mass. H.A.
 POST 124. Frank D. White, age 46; private, Co. A, 20th Unattached.
 POST 124. B. F. Ellis, age 77; private, Co. B, 3d Mass.
 POST 125. Wm. H. Davis, age 46; private, Co. H, 186th N.Y.
 POST 125. Terrance Simmons, age 41; private, Co. B, 7th N.Y.
 POST 125. Henry S. Briggs, age 63; brigadier-general, artillery.
 POST 127. E. G. Fuller, age 66; private, Co. A, 3d Mass.
 POST 128. Walter F. Tarleton, age 50; private, Co. I, 6th Mass.
 POST 131. Wm. B. Howe, age 67; private, Co. F, 25th Mass.
 POST 135. Jonah C. Sawyer, age 74; private, Co. B, 57th Mass.
 POST 139. John A. Cummings, age 49; major, Co. E, 6th N.H.
 POST 139. Samuel McJunkin, age 42; private, Co. E, 39th Mass.
 POST 139. J. E. Abbott, age 45; private, Co. F, 1st Mass.
 POST 139. W. F. Foster, age 64; private, Co. F, 3d Mass. Cav.
 POST 140. Thos. Burns, age 61; private, Co. E, 53d Mass.
 POST 140. S. D. Porter, age 48; private, Co. A, 36th Mass.
 POST 147. Watson W. Cowles, age 52; private, Co. G, 52d Mass.
 POST 149. John McCoren, age 53; corporal, Co. A, 30th Mass.
 POST 151. Ben. Perley Poore, age 68; major, 8th Mass.
 POST 157. S. E. Stone, age 48; 1st lieutenant, 23d Mass.
 POST 157. C. C. Green, age 48; private, Co. K, 1st R.I.
 POST 165. M. C. Keene, age 59; private, Co. I, 4th Mass.
 POST 165. S. B. Beaman, age 56; captain, Co. K, 53d Mass.
 POST 168. Wm. Buchanan, age 45; private, Co. K, 1st Vt. H.A.
 POST 169. Lewis P. Baker, age 51; private, Co. E, 3d U.S. Artillery.
 POST 169. Edwin L. Bird, age 72; captain, Co. I, 47th Mass.
 POST 170. Harrison Doty, age 72; private, Co. G, 45th Mass.
 POST 179. Benj. F. Bacon, age 42; private, Co. K, 42d Mass.
 POST 180. Richard Bassett, age 68; captain, Co. G, 47th Mass.
 POST 180. Silas H. Blake, age 64; private, Co. G, 47th Mass.
 POST 180. Donald McFee, age 50; fireman, U.S. Navy, ship *Kennebec*.
 POST 184. J. A. Spalding, age 56; private, Co. F, 25th Mass.

GENERAL ORDERS.

SERIES OF 1887-88.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 1. }

BOSTON, Feb. 14, 1887.

I. Having been elected Commander of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Twenty-first Annual Encampment, held at Tremont Temple, Boston, Jan. 27 and 28, 1887, I hereby assume command.

II. For the unanimous expression of confidence in thus electing me to the highest office within their gift, I desire to assure my comrades of my appreciation of the honor they have conferred upon me, and to extend to them my grateful thanks. It will be my purpose to keep our Order up to its present high standing to which it has been brought by the efforts of my predecessors, and to do all in my power to advance its interests at all times. I earnestly call upon all comrades to lend their aid in moving the line steadily forward until we shall have gathered within our ranks, to aid and assist us in our noble work, every worthy veteran of that grand old Army and Navy of the Union now living within our jurisdiction.

III The following named comrades have been appointed members of my Official Staff They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Assistant Adjutant-General, Alfred C. Monroe of Post 13, Brockton.

Assistant Quartermaster-General, Augustus H. Wright of Post 73, Abington.

Department Inspector, B Read Wales of Post 68, Dorchester.

Judge Advocate, John A Keefe of Post 15, Boston.

Chief Mustering Officer, T. Spencer Jenks of Post 10, Worcester.

Additional appointments will appear in future orders.

IV. All official correspondence and invitations for the Department Commander should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant-General.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,

Official:

Department Commander.

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 2. }

BOSTON, March 19, 1887.

I. The following comrades are appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

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| Wm. H. Gurney . . . | Whitman. | Geo. R. Dyer . . . | E. Bridgewater. |
| A. S. Atherton . . . | Wakefield. | John Best | Stoneham. |
| Thos. W. Cook . . . | New Bedford. | Joseph W. Thompson | Lowell. |
| Thos. H. Haskell . . | Charlestown. | E. F. Phinney . . . | So. Framingham. |
| Wm. H. Brown . . . | Marblehead. | E. W. Smith | Webster. |
| H. M. Stevens . . . | Waltham. | Lewis B. Hodges . . | Taunton. |
| A. B. Pierce | Natick. | Jeremiah Stewart . | Clinton. |
| F. C. Hills | Newton. | H. N. Harriman . . | Georgetown. |
| Wm. L. Hicks . . . | Roxbury. | Jason Mann | Montague. |
| J. Walter Bradlee . | Milton. | Dexter F. Hager . . | So. Deerfield. |
| F. B. French | East Templeton. | T. K. Parker | Winchendon. |
| Thos. F. Ellsworth . | Ipswich. | Geo. N. Munsell . . | Harwich. |
| Harlow Chapin . . . | Monson. | Marcus G. B. Swift . | Fall River. |
| A. P. Chamberlaine . | Concord. | A. S. Byrnes | Plymouth. |
| A. J. Lowd | Salem. | James Holmes . . . | Spencer. |
| Chas. A. Gross . . . | Cohasset. | Cephas N. Walker . | Worcester. |
| Lysander Wood . . . | Stoughton. | E. E. Barnard . . . | Turners Falls. |
| Geo. O. Noyes . . . | Boston. | Jas. K. Odell | Cambridgeport. |
| F. M. Balcom | East Cambridge. | L. A. Lamson | Milford. |
| Wm. R. Sears | Brookline. | Francis Drake . . . | Mansfield. |
| Frank B. Peabody . | Lowell. | L. F. Wheelock . . . | Adams. |
| S. A. Valentine . . . | Boston. | M. D. Jones | Somerville. |
| A. L. Shattuck . . . | Orange. | Peter N. Sprague . . | Hingham. |
| L. B. Simons | Pittsfield. | J. Warren Berry . . | Andover. |
| Leroy C. Western . . | Newburyport. | Charles H. Deyo . . | No. Brookfield. |
| J. Everett Pierce . . | Medford. | Wm. Provin | Westfield. |
| Geo. A. Woodbury, 2d | Beverly. | Wilbur F. Lane . . . | Boston. |
| J. Fred Leslie . . . | Woburn. | James P. Litch . . . | Malden. |
| Aldrich Cook | Leominster. | James A. Horton . . | Greenfield. |
| Ira G. Wilkins . . . | Fitchburg. | John F. Lambie . . . | Northampton. |
| J. Linfield | Canton. | Charles Q. Pierce . . | Watertown. |
| James Frey | Lynn. | Wm. H. Sherwin . . | Ayer. |
| Isaac Hopkins . . . | Rockland. | Seth L. French . . . | Campello. |
| C. R. Kaplinger . . . | Springfield. | Henry W. Weeks . . | Dedham. |
| Albert C. Andrews . | Gloucester. | Myron S. Barton . . | Belchertown. |

II. A list of officers elected at the Annual Encampment of this Department, held at Boston January 27 and 28, will appear in the Roster. Two Rosters will be forwarded to each Post, one to be filed with G.O., the other for the use of the Post Commander.

III. Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for first quarter will be due April 1, and I trust they will be forwarded promptly. Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that they should confer not only regarding the number reported last quarter, but account for gains and losses, and give the names as called for in the Recapitulation of Muster Roll and notes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Care should be exercised that the number remaining in good standing in form A, and the number paid for on form B, shall agree. I would call attention of Post Commanders to the necessity of carefully examining the reports, seeing that all requirements are complied with, and, after signing both reports, forward the same, together with the *per capita* tax, eight cents per member in good standing, to these headquarters. Bear in mind the fact that the *per capita* tax has been increased from six to eight cents per quarter.

IV. A year's supply of blank Obituary Reports have been sent to each Post, and I would call the attention of the Post Commander to the necessity of the Adjutant filling out this blank when there has been any loss by death during the quarter, in order that the memorial page may be complete.

V. It will be impossible to assure Posts the attendance of Department officers at camp-fires, fairs, etc., unless they first confer with these headquarters before making their arrangements, as engagements are often made several weeks in advance.

VI. Comrades are warned against giving assistance to the following named comrades, as they have been reported at these headquarters as unworthy: E. D. Hartshorn, a dropped member of Post 39; Geo. Miller, a dropped member of Post 79; Miller sometimes goes by the name of Perkins; John H. Foster of Post 147; and Isaac St. John of Post 128.

VII. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Capt. Loring S. Richardson, Co. D, 3d Mass. H. A.; some member of Co. A, 24th Mass. Inf., who remembers Lieut. Frank H. Shepard of said company; Geo. Desmond and John Hurley, Co. G, 2d Mass. Cav.; any soldier who was on Belle Isle, Va., December, 1863; Lieut. Joseph Libby, Co. K, 19th Mass. Inf.; Edwin Turner, Cyrus B. Rowe, Geo. W. Barnes, Daniel Hallahan, Edwin A. Hubbard, all Co. B, 5th Mass. Inf., from '62-'63; Samuel Anderson, James Robinson, U.S.S. *Port Royal*, from '62 to '64; Capt. Frederick Marsh, 11th Mass. Independent Battery; Captain Hardy, 2d Rhode Island Cav.; any member of Co. E, 20th Maine, who remembers Walter Sheehan of said company; Captain Parsons, Co. D, 5th Mass. Cav.; 2d Lieut. T. L. Murtz, Co. H, 24th U.S. Colored Regt.; some member of Co. D, 5th Mass. Cav., colored, who remembers Joseph W. Williams of said company.

VIII. Comrade Thomas Keefe of the Committee on Naval Records having resigned, Comrade John A. Keefe has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

IX. General Orders, No. 9, from National Headquarters is herewith promulgated.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No 3. }

BOSTON, May 6, 1887.

In accordance with Rules and Regulations, and in compliance with General Orders, No 11, from National Headquarters, Monday, May 30, will be observed by the Posts of this Department as Memorial Day

Nineteen years have passed since the first General Order was issued that inaugurated the beautiful custom of strewing with flowers or other testimonials of love and respect, the graves of comrades who died in defence of their country. For the great heart that prompted that order the taps have sounded, and the light of his life has gone out; brave, generous friend, with hearts of gratitude we will remember him, and his resting place will be strewn with flowers of affection, in accordance with the sentiment of his General Orders, No 11.

Upon this day the veterans living will call to mind the heroic, unselfish spirit of their comrades with whom in the old days they shared the fortunes of the camp, the march the battle; they will gather about the resting places of the Grand Army of the dead, and in sweet communion with the memories of the past, will renew their devotion to the principles of the Grand Army of the living, and humanity will be benefited. The loyal citizens as they gather about the graves of patriotic

men, will recall how they, by their devotion to duty while living, sustained the liberties of the people and preserved the unity of the Republic.

In grateful recognition of the inestimable services of these men, may the good people of the Commonwealth, as they gather to do honor to their memory, receive the inspiration of their example, that the standard of American citizenship may never lower, and to the end that this government "of the people, by the people and for the people, may not perish from the face of the earth."

It is left with you, comrades, to make such arrangements for the observance of the day as in your judgment may seem most appropriate. As the safety of a nation depends upon the loyalty of its people, discharge your duties upon this occasion in a manner that will remind the elders and impress firmly upon the young the lessons of patriotism and devotion to the dear old flag, so truly exemplified in the lives of the men whose memory we hold in grateful remembrance.

Discountenance the tendency that prevails to make the day one of pleasure alone; call upon the good people of your respective localities to join with you in the tender and beautiful ceremonies of the day; let every loyal soul pay its tribute of respect to the memory of the men who sacrificed all for one country and one flag, to the end that the ideal of American valor and patriotism may be kept at the same high standard at which they placed it.

The custom of Posts attending divine service in a body on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day is a good one, and its continuance is earnestly recommended.

Post Chaplains are requested to forward to these headquarters reports of the exercises of their respective Posts, including the number of officers and men present for duty.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

BOSTON, June 24, 1887.

I. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing to the comrades throughout this Department that from reports received from Posts, Memorial Day was observed more generally and with more impressiveness than ever before. This is due in a great measure to the interest of the members of our Order, and it is hoped it will continue as long as there remains a comrade to perform the sad, yet sweet ceremony.

II In accordance with Circular No. 5 from National Headquarters, the Posts of this Department will comply with the request therein made. Post Commanders will give ample notice and cause the required vote of their respective Posts to be taken, on or before July 31, and forwarded to these headquarters by Aug. 1, 1887.

III. I wish to call the special attention of Post Commanders to the necessity for promptness in forwarding reports for the present quarter.

The Commander-in-Chief desires to make a full and complete report of each Department to the National Encampment at St. Louis. The Department of Massachusetts has always been prompt and commended for the completeness of its reports to National Headquarters. Do not let this quarter be an exception.

I trust Post Commanders will attend to this matter, and see that their reports are forwarded to these headquarters not later than July 10

IV. Aides-de-Camp T. K. Parker and Ira G. Wilkins having tendered their resignations, they are hereby accepted.

V. Comrades Henry T. Holmes of Post 35, and James R. Hamilton of Post 19, are hereby appointed as Aides-de-Camp on my personal Staff; they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

VI. The following new Posts have been organized:—

HANCOCK POST 187 of Dalton, Geo. E. Hagar, Commander.

PRESTON POST 188 of Beverly Farms, John L. Eaton, Commander.

VII. The address is wanted at this office of A. P. Sargent, Co. A, 17th Mass. Inf.; some officer of Co. C, 28th Mass., who was on Gallops Island Aug. 1, 1864; Lieut. D. B. Abrahams, Co. G. 6th Regt., U.S.C. Cav.; Leverett C. Felch, Co. B, 28th Mass.; Marcus Hawes, Q.M., 2d Mass. Inf.; any officer or comrades of Co. H, 9th Mass. Inf., who remember Corporal Patrick McGullen of said company; Capt. Chas. H. Union, Co. D, 22d Maine Inf.; any members of Co. E, 17th Mass. Inf., who remember Joshua Tucker of said company; any officer or member of Co. C, 33d Mass., who remember W. S. Allen of said company; any comrade of Co's B or C, 17th Mass., who remembers Edward Ring of said companies in 1864; any comrade of Co. I, 6th Regt., V.R.C., who was at Johnson's Island, Lake Erie, in 1864 and 1865, who remembers Samuel Furbush of said company; any commissioned or non-commissioned officer of the 15th Mass. Batty. at New Orleans, La., from June 1, 1863, to Jan. 1, 1864; Sergt. Wm. L. White, Co. K, 2d Mass. Inf.; Lieut. Frank Bradbury, Co. E, 6th Vt. Inf.; Lieut. Wm. A. Burrage, or any members of Co. H, 33d Mass. Inf., who remember Martin Tookey of said company; Lieut. Richard A. Eliot, Co. C, 30th Mass. Inf.; Annie M. Hill, Nurse in Armory Square Hospital, in fall of 1863 and spring of 1864; Capt. Walter A. Sampson, Co. A, 22d Mass. Inf.

VIII. Comrades are cautioned against giving assistance to Comrade John E. Baldwin of Post 16, as he is unworthy.

IX. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Comrade Gilman J. Clough of Post 63, G.A.R., Natick, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

X. Circular No. 5, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

BOSTON, July 27, 1887.

Comrades: For the third time we are called to mourn the death of a former Department Commander.

Comrade George H. Patch of Post 63, Natick, and Commander of this Department 1882, died at his residence in South Framingham, Mass., Tuesday morning, July 26, at 11 o'clock.

He was a brave, generous hearted soldier, a good citizen, a kind and loving friend, and a comrade who never grew weary in Grand Army work. At the completion of his term of service as Department Commander, he fell gracefully back into the ranks as a worker, and was

always ready to do all in his power for the organization he loved so well. Perhaps no member of the Order was better known than he, not only in our Department, but in all the others, and he will be widely and sincerely mourned by his comrades.

As a mark of respect and esteem for our departed comrade, all Department and Post Officers will, for thirty days from the date of this order, wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm and sword hilt, when on duty, and the charter of each Post will be draped in mourning.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,

Official:

Department Commander.

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

BOSTON, Sept. 21, 1887.

I. The National Encampment, G.A.R., will convene at St. Louis, Mo., the 28th inst. The Department Commander, Junior Vice-Commander, Assistant Adjutant-General, and delegates will leave Boston, Saturday, September 24, at 3 p.m., via Fitchburg Railroad.

II. During the absence of the Assistant Adjutant-General these headquarters will be under the charge of Department Inspector B. Read Wales, whose office hours will be from 4.15 to 5.30 p.m., except Saturday, when the office will be closed. As most of the business and correspondence pertaining to the Department will have to lay over until the return of the Assistant Adjutant-General, I hope comrades will make no requests of these headquarters, except what is absolutely necessary, until his return, October 6.

III. The Headquarters of the Department at St. Louis will be at the Lindell Hotel, and all comrades from Massachusetts are requested to report there September 27.

IV. At a special meeting of the Council of Administration, held September 21, Comrades Samuel M. Weale and H. P. Oakman were elected delegates to the National Encampment to fill vacancies in the delegation, and Comrades Wm S. Hixon, Geo E. Woodbury, 2d, B F. Whittemore, A. L. Norris, J S. Pine, G. L. Gage, and Chas. S. Clerke, alternates.

V. Commanders of Posts who have not yet reported in regard to the Geo. H. Patch Memorial Fund are requested to do so at an early date.

VI. The address is wanted at this office of some comrade of Co K, 19th Mass. Inf., who remembers Wm. A. McKenny of said Co.; of Lieut. Burrage and James Griffin, Co. H. 33d Mass. Inf.; of Corporal James Brightman, Co I, 2d Mass. H.A.; any member of Co H. 2d Mass. H A ; any member of Co. F, 2d Mass. H A who knew H. E. Egleston in 1864; Edward O'Beirne, Sergt. of Unassigned Vet. Invalid Corps, Capt Thos. Graham; of Arthur R. Curtis, 20th Mass. Inf.; of Wm H Knowlton, Co. E, 16th Mass Inf.; of James A Littlefield. U S Navy, 1863, shipped from Salem, Mass.; of any shipmate on board U.S. steamer *Wyandank*

who remembers Charles S Sisson of same ship, when stationed on the Potomac; of Dr. Wadsworth, Camp Barry, Washington, D.C., in Fall of 1864

VII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Comrade W. H Ball of Post 160, West Brookfield, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7. }

BOSTON, Oct. 12, 1887.

1. The Department Inspector has completed his arrangements for the Fall Inspections. Commanders of Posts will render the Inspecting Officers all the assistance possible in the discharge of their duties. It may be necessary to call special meetings of Posts in some instances. Posts will be expected to exemplify the work of the Order, including opening and muster-in. Travelling expenses will be assumed by the Department, therefore it is expected that *all local expenses* will be paid by the Post inspected. A report of these inspections will be made at once to these headquarters on blanks provided for that purpose.

II. Comrades Lysander Wood and J. Warren Berry having tendered their resignations as Aides on the Department Commander's Staff, the same are hereby accepted.

III. The following Aides-de-Camp are hereby detailed to act as Assistant Inspectors, and are assigned to duty by the Department Inspector to the several Posts as follows:—

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| Wm. H Gurney | 76, 124, 127 |
| A S. Atherton | 33, 40, 185 |
| Thos. W. Cook | 3, 8, 46 |
| Thos. H Haskell | 15, 35, 68 |
| Wm H. Brown | 45, 61, 129, 137 |
| H. M Stevens | 48, 56, 161 |
| A. B Pierce | 6, 10, 37, 167 |
| F. C Hills | 24, 63, 81 |
| Wm. L. Hicks | 7, 92, 144 |
| J. Walter Bradlee | 88, 94, 121 |
| B. F French | 123, 179 |
| Harlow Chapin | 65, 85, 103 |
| A. J Lowd | 82, 90, 188 |
| Chas A Gross | 31, 104, 165 |
| Geo O. Noyes | 2, 5, 159 |
| F. M. Balcom | 29, 134, 156 |
| Wm. B. Sears | 113, 181 |
| Frank B. Peabody | 30, 39, 180 |
| A. S. Valentine | 146 |

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| A. L. Shattuck | 109, 140, 162 |
| L. B. Simons | 158, 176, 187 |
| Leroy C. Western | 101, 114, 128, 151 |
| J. Everett Pierce | 4, 12, 75 |
| Geo. A. Woodbury 2d | 34, 49, 108, 120 |
| J. Fred Leslie | 35, 57 |
| Aldrich Cook | 59, 64, 69, 175 |
| J. R. Hamilton | 53, 116, 153, 184 |
| J. Linfield | 91, 170 |
| James Frey | 1, 50, 95, 118 |
| Isaac Hopkins | 13, 83, 112 |
| C. R. Kaplinger | 41, 86, 107 |
| A. C. Andrews | 67, 106, 152 |
| George R. Dyer | 73, 74, 154 |
| John Best | 21, 42 |
| Joseph P. Thompson | 47, 99 |
| E. F. Phinney | 14, 18, 22, 96 |
| E. W. Smith | 25, 27, 168, 173 |
| L. B. Hodges | 133, 145 |
| Jeremiah Stewart | 9, 43, 54, 172 |
| H. N. Harriman | 89, 100, 122 |
| Jason Mann | 79, 84, 164 |
| Dexter F. Hager | 126, 166 |
| Harry T. Holmes | 26, 186 |
| George N. Munsell | 55, 132 |
| M. G. R. Swift | 141, 182 |
| A. S. Byrne | 78, 98, 111 |
| James Holmes | 38, 131, 136 |
| Cephas N. Walker | 28, 70, 77, 80, 135 |
| E. E. Barnard | 150, 171, 174 |
| James K. Odell | 11, 23 |
| L. A. Lamson | 105, 117, 130 |
| Francis Drake | 142, 163 |
| L. F. Wheelock | 125, 177 |
| Melville D. Jones | 66, 149 |
| Peter N. Sprague | 58, 87 |
| Charles H. Deyo | 155, 160 |
| William Provin | 16, 178, 183 |
| W. F. Lane | 32, 139 |
| James P. Litch | 60, 62, 148 |
| James H. Horton | 17, 20, 93 |
| John F. Lambie | 71, 97, 147 |
| Charles Q. Pierce | 119, 138 |
| William H. Sherwin | 19, 44, 115 |
| Seth L. French | 52, 72, 110 |
| Henry W. Weeks | 102, 143, 157, 169 |
| Myron S. Barton | 51 |

IV. DAVID CHURCH Post 189 of Marshfield, Albion Hatch, Commander, has been organized since last General Orders.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 8. }

BOSTON, NOV. 10, 1887.

I. General Orders, No. 2, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated

II Particular attention is directed to the election of delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment. This election must be held at the first regular meeting in December. The ratio of representation is as follows:—One delegate and one alternate for every fifty members reported in good standing at the end of the third quarter, ending September 30, with an additional delegate and alternate for the fraction when it is more than one half that number. But every Post, whatever its membership, is entitled to one delegate and alternate. (See Rules and Regulations, Chap. III., Article II.) Blank credentials are herewith enclosed on which to make returns One copy only will be sent to these headquarters.

III. A year's supply of blank Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports, with blank bond for Post Quartermaster, have been sent to each Post Commander. If the same have not been received, notice should be sent to these headquarters at once.

IV. Accompanying supply of blank Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports will be found a book showing specimen pages of books prepared expressly for the use of G. A. R. Posts. These books have been in use in this Department for a number of years, and are just what is needed to simplify the work of Post officers I would earnestly recommend that Posts who are not using these books now, adopt them as soon as convenient, as they are the most practical and business-like forms that have yet been issued to Posts of the G. A. R. The price of each book is given upon the specimen page, and they will be supplied through these headquarters only, either in sets or by single volume.

V. The address is wanted at these headquarters of any comrade knowing the post-office address of any of the following sailors: W. W. Whiting, Chief Engineer; John Ainsworth, Alex McCause, Geo. Hosmer, Thos Quigley, Thos. Moffat, John Meyers and John McCaffery, who served on the U. S. S. *Tristan Shandy*, in the years 1864-65; any comrade of Co. I, 5th U. S. Cav., who remembers James King of said company in 1864; Thos. Nixon, 8th Maine; any shipmate on board Gunboat *Pemolia* in 1864, who knew Samuel Strout, who lost foot during an engagement near Mobile, Feb 22, 1864; of Charles M. Munroe, Co. D, 50th Mass. Inf.; any officers or privates of Co. G, 20th Mass. Inf.; any shipmate on board U. S. S. *Neta* who remembers Charles McLaughlin and John Williams of said ship in 1864; some members of Co. E, 3d Mass. Heavy Artillery, who remember Timothy O. Donoghue of said company; any comrade of 2d New Jersey Vols. in 1861, who knew John A. Anthony of said regiment; of Henry S. Russell, Co. K, 11th Mass. Inf.; Sergt. Wm. H. Humphrey, Co. B, 12th Mass.; 1st Sergt. Chas. C. Richards and two comrades of Co. A, 4th Mass. Cav., who remember Patrick Sanlor; Henry C. Burgess, Co. E, 17th Mass. Inf., 1864-65; Geo. R. Arey, U. S. Ship *Hartford*, 1864; Nicholas Egan, 1st R. I. Cav.; any member of Co. I, 9th Mass. Inf., who remembers Thos. Norton of said company; any officers or members of Co. I, 5th Mass. Cav.

VI. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Frank M. Whitman of Post 47, G. A. R., Haverhill, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

Official:

A. C. MONROE,

Assistant Adjutant-General.

CHARLES D. NASH,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 9. }

BOSTON, Dec. 7, 1887.

I. The order announcing Mustering Officers will be issued on or about December 25. Posts desiring the services of a particular comrade for this purpose will first secure his consent to perform the duty, and then at once notify these headquarters of their choice when he will be detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer. Recommendations must be received previous to the above date, and in no case will an assignment be made unless the Post or its representative so designate.

II In accordance with Rules and Regulations installations may be conducted publicly at a special meeting to be held for that purpose, but no part of the opening or closing services or signs of recognition are to be used.

III. The address is wanted at these headquarters of Sergts John McDonald and Chas H. Hesseltine, 13th Mass Light Batty.; of any comrade of Co. F, 7th Conn. Inf., who remembers James F Smith of said company; of any comrade of Company D, 11th Mass. Inf., who remembers John Boyle of said company; of any shipmate on board U.S.S. *Maratanza* in 1863, who remembers Martin Kennedy of said ship; of Walter S. Cushman, A.A. Paymaster on board U.S. Bark *Restless* to January, 1864; also Surgeon's Steward by name of Powers on board same bark.

IV. The proceedings, finding and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Comrade Edwin A. Stackpole of Post 120, G.A.R., Lowell, and Comrade Sumner Gilson of Post 48, G.A.R., Ayer, are hereby approved and they are dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 10. }

BOSTON, Dec. 26, 1887.

I. The following named comrades are hereby detailed as Mustering Officers by Comrade T. Spencer Jenks, Chief Mustering Officer of the Department, and will install the officers of the Posts whose numbers appear against their names:—

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| Chas. D. Nash, Department Commander, Whitman | 78 |
| E. C. Whitney, Department Senior Vice-Commander, Boston | 13, 170 |
| Arthur A. Smith, Council of Administration, Griswoldville | 17, 174 |
| E. P. Jewett, Council of Administration, Boston | 91 |
| A. C. Monroe, Assistant Adjutant-General, Boston | 30, 38, 159 |
| Aug. H. Wright, Assistant Quartermaster-General, Abington | 73 |
| B. Read Wales, Department Inspector, Boston | 12, 185, 186 |
| T. Spencer Jenks, Chief Mustering Officer, Worcester | 63 |
| Geo. S. Merrill, Past Commander-in-Chief, Lawrence | 101 |
| Geo. W. Creasey, Past Department Commander, Boston | 62 |
| Geo. S. Evans, Past Department Commander, Cambridgeport | 34, 68 |

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| Richard F. Tobin, Past Department Commander, Boston | 2, 7, 15, 26 |
| John D. Billings, Past Department Commander, Cambridgeport | 86, 163 |
| John W. Hersey, Past Department Commander, Springfield | 41 |
| Chas. O. Fellows, Past Assistant Quartermaster-General, Chelsea | 44, 95, 156 |
| A. W. Fulton, North Adams | 79 |
| Henry W. Weeks, Dedham | 181 |
| Chas. H. Wakefield, Hingham | 104 |
| Henry O. Sawyer, West Boylston | 59 |
| A. A. Seaverns, North Scituate | 31 |
| Thos. R. McDermott, Danvers | 90 |
| Charles M. Whelden, Pittsfield | 125 |
| Wm. H. Brown, Marblehead | 82 |
| E. P. Loring, Fitchburg | 19 |
| Henry S. Bunton, Hyde Park | 121 |
| Wm. H. Morgan, Beverly | 50 |
| A. L. Shattuck, Orange | 123, 179 |
| Jeremiah Wakefield, Boston | 134 |
| Tristram Talbot, Newburyport | 49 |
| Benj. S. Lovell, E. Weymouth | 88 |
| A. S. Atherton, Wakefield | 4, 5, 161 |
| Jos. H. Stocker, Beverly | 89 |
| Charles H. Leonard, Plymouth | 76 |
| G. Q. A. Bryant, Winchendon | 153 |
| J. C. Madigan, E. Walpole | 157 |
| Wm. A. Stone, Manchester | 67 |
| M. D. Jones, Somerville | 139 |
| Edwin C. Gould, Melrose | 75 |
| S. Wells Hunt, Sandwich | 132 |
| Seth L. French, Campello | 74, 110 |
| Geo. W. Nason, Boston | 60 |
| Daniel Travis, Holliston | 6 |
| Jason Mann, Montague | 150 |
| Wm. Holbrook, Palmer | 107 |
| Geo. W. Corey, Southbridge | 137 |
| Lewis B. Hodges, Taunton | 3 |
| M. H. Stevens, Waltham | 180 |
| W. H. Chamberlin, Pittsfield | 187 |
| Henry T. Holmes, Chelsea | 35 |
| Chas. E. French, Essex | 152 |
| E. P. Morton, Webster | 168 |
| John S. Beck, Medford | 189 |
| Geo. H. Howard, West Brookfield | 160 |
| C. J. Lowd, Salem | 188 |
| Chas. W. Tenney, Georgetown | 108 |
| E. P. Snow, Adams | 126 |
| Geo. T. Fairweather, Westboro | 80 |
| Wm. S. Frost, Marlboro | 138 |
| Chas. A. Stott, Lowell | 42 |
| Chas. L. Tucker, Amesbury | 122 |
| Geo. M. Rice, Uxbridge | 167 |
| E. C. Martin, Attleboro | 133, 145 |
| Frank McGraw, Fall River | 1 |
| Charles Frazier, Clinton | 175 |
| M. M. Stowe, Ashburnham | 184 |
| L. E. Thayer, Oxford | 27 |
| L. A. Lamson, Milford | 130 |
| Robert C. Jenkins, Hopkinton | 14 |
| Josiah A. Richmond, Shelburne Falls | 93 |
| A. H. Bump, Southbridge | 173 |

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| Lysander Wood, Stoughton | 72 |
| John H Abbott, Fall River | 182 |
| Edward C. Marsh, Marlboro | 18 |
| C. C. Nichols, Dedham | 144 |
| D. L. Getchel, Amesbury | 114 |
| Edwin Northrop, Dalton | 178 |
| John Balcom, Ashland | 44 |
| Horace A. Allyn, Cambridge | 56 |
| Andrew C Stone, Lawrence | 100 |
| W. W. Robinson, Bolton | 172 |
| Geo H. Bonney, Kingston | 165 |
| Chas. A. Gross, Cohasset | 98 |
| C. A. Wheeler, Leominster | 53 |
| E. D Hutchinson, Huntington | 176 |
| Samuel M. Weale, E. Boston | 33 |
| Albert L. Barrett, Orange | 171 |
| Calvin W. Pool, Rockport | 106 |
| B. F. Cook, Gloucester | 45 |
| John Scates, South Hanover | 111 |

II. The Commanders of the above indicated Posts should at once communicate with their Mustering Officers, giving time and place of installation, and the most direct way of getting there. In case the comrade designated above for any Post cannot be present, and where no comrade has been detailed by the Chief Mustering Officer, any National or Department Officer, or Past Post Commander (in his own Post), in good standing (except the retiring Commander,) may act. In no case will the officers of any Post be installed until all reports and dues have been forwarded. (See Service Book.)

III. The Twenty-first Session of the Department Encampment will be held in this city, February 8 and 9. It is proposed to have a banquet at the close of the meeting. In order that the committee may work understandingly, Commanders of Posts are requested to send to this office, at their earliest opportunity, on the enclosed postal card, the names of comrades of their respective Posts who will purchase tickets to the same. Price of tickets, \$1.00 each, and as delegates are first to be supplied, it is hoped they will order tickets through their Post Commanders without delay, so that if any are left, they can be sold to comrades desiring them. Promptness is absolutely necessary in this matter, as only 500 tickets can be issued on account of the capacity of the hall.

IV. The address of the following-named persons is wanted at these headquarters Geo. W. Swain, Co. C, 1st Mass. Inf. and Co H, 29th Mass. Inf.; of any comrade who remembers Chas. P. Farnsworth, Co. I, 4th Mass Cav.; of Sergt Thos. Botts, or any member of Co K, 11th Mass. Inf., who remembers John Langlate of said Co.; of John W. Robinson, Co. G, 1st Rhode Island Art.; of two shipmates who served on board the U S S *Rhode Island*, in the summer of 1865 and '66, who knew John Glinn of said ship; of two or more shipmates who served on board U S Gunboat *Tuscarora* in 1863, who remembers H. N. Brown of said boat; of two shipmates who served on board the Gunboat *Wyandank* in 1861, who remembers Chas. A. Sisson of said boat

V. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the court-martial in the trial of Comrade Chas. H. Walker, of Post 55, G. A. R. Provincetown, are hereby approved, and he is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 1 PEMBERTON SQ., ROOM 11. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 11. } BOSTON, Jan. 19, 1888.

I. In accordance with the action of the Council of Administration, the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of this Department will convene at Tremont Temple, Boston, on Wednesday afternoon, February 8, at 2 o'clock, and continue the session the 9th. It is hoped that by meeting at 2 o'clock Wednesday we shall be able to adjourn by 1 o'clock Thursday, thus giving ample time for the banquet, and enabling comrades from out of town to take trains for home.

II. It is earnestly desired that every Post in the Department shall be represented by its full delegation. Posts should pay the expenses of their delegates, if necessary to secure this end.

III. The ratio of representation has already been published in General Orders, No. 8. In the absence of a Post Commander, the Senior Vice-Commander may represent the Post; or if both are absent, the Junior Vice-Commander may act.

IV. Comrade J. H. S. Pearson, Commander of Joseph Hooker Post No. 23, East Boston, will detail an Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, an Orderly and eight comrades to act as guard during the Encampment; this detail will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Tremont Temple at 1 o'clock P.M. the 8th.

V. After the adjournment of the Encampment, a banquet will be held at Faneuil Hall, to which Comrade John P. Rea, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R.; John C. Linnehan, Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief; Daniel Fish, Adjutant-General; Governor Ames and other gentlemen distinguished in military and civil life have been invited. Only five hundred tickets will be issued at one dollar each. Delegates should order their tickets through their Post Commanders without delay, so if any are left they can be sold to comrades desiring them.

VI. The annual meeting of the Veterans' Rights Union and Employment Bureau, Department of Massachusetts, G. A. R., will be held at the Meionaon (Tremont Temple), Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1888, at 1.30 o'clock P.M.

Posts are entitled to two delegates, who may be appointed by the Commander or elected by the Post.

VII. The address of the following named persons is wanted at these headquarters: Some shipmate on board U.S.S. *Colorado* in 1863, who remembers James W. Langley of said ship; a member of Co. A, 8th Mass. Inf., who remembers Wm. F. Thomas of said company.

VIII. General Orders, No. 3, from National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
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GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 12. }

BOSTON, Jan. 19, 1888.

Comrades: For the second time it becomes my sad duty to announce to the comrades of this Department that still another comrade has gone from among us to answer to the roll-call on the other side. Past Department Commander A. B. UNDERWOOD died at his home in Boston on Saturday, Jan. 14, 1888. As Department Commander he discharged the duties of the office with an ability that reflected credit and honor to the Order, as well as to himself. A brave soldier, as the telling evidence of the conflict he bore about him testified, and as an honored and upright citizen he was trusted and esteemed by all his fellow-men. For these sterling qualities we will ever hold him in grateful remembrance.

As a mark of respect and esteem for our departed comrade, all Department and Post Officers will, for thirty days from the date of this Order, wear the usual badge of mourning on the left arm and sword-hilt, when on duty, and the charter of each Post will be draped in mourning.

By command of

CHARLES D. NASH,
Department Commander.

Official:

A. C. MONROE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, G.A.R.

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| Rev. E. A. HORTON, <i>Chaplain</i> | Boston. |

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| MALCOLM SILLARS | Danvers. |
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| JOHN A. KEEFE, <i>Judge Advocate</i> | 1 Pemberton Sq., Room 11, Boston. |
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Aides-de-Camp.

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| WM. H. GURNEY, | Whitman. | FRANK B. PEABODY, | Lowell. |
| A. S. ATHERTON, | Wakefield. | S. A. VALENTINE, | Boston. |
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| JASON MANN, | Montague. | J. WARREN BERRY, | Andover. |
| DEXTER F. HAGER, | South Deerfield. | CHARLES H. DEYO, | N. Brookfield. |
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| JAMES HOLMES, | Spencer. | JOHN F. LAMBIE, | Northampton. |
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| L. A. LAMSON, | Milford. | HENRY W. WEEKS, | Dedham. |
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Past Department Commanders.

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| HORACE BINNEY SARGENT, | Salem. | | |

* Deceased.

POSTS.

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| Wm. Logan Rodman. | 1 | New Bedford | 266 | Ezra K. Bly..... | Wednesday |
| Dahlgren..... | 2 | South Boston | 252 | Geo. H. Innis..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| W. H. Bartlett..... | 3 | Taunton..... | 177 | 100 L Street } Alden H. Blake..... | Tuesday |
| U. S. Grant..... | 4 | Melrose..... | 76 | John E. Marshall..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| General Lander..... | 5 | Lynn..... | 1007 | David Walker..... | Thursday |
| P. T. Wyman..... | 6 | Holliston..... | 50 | Box 23 } Wm. H. Belcher..... | Tuesday |
| Chas. Russell Lowell | 7 | Boston..... | 513 | Geo. A. J. Colgan..... | Friday |
| E. W. Pierce..... | 8 | Middleboro | 85 | Custom House } James M. Sampson..... | Saturday |
| Reno..... | 9 | Hudson..... | 93 | H. P. Bean..... | Wednesday |
| George H. Ward..... | 10 | Worcester..... | 633 | Chas. H. Benchley..... | Thursday |
| Abraham Lincoln..... | 11 | Charlestown..... | 247 | Everett A. Stevens..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| H. M. Warren..... | 12 | Wakefield..... | 212 | 17 Green Street } Justin Howard..... | Monday |
| Fletcher Webster..... | 13 | Brockton..... | 205 | Seth L. French..... | Wednesday |
| C. C. Phillips..... | 14 | Hopkinton..... | 27 | Campbello } Willard Clark..... | Tuesday |
| John A. Andrew..... | 15 | Boston..... | 556 | William B. Daly..... | Friday |
| E. K. Wilcox..... | 16 | Springfield..... | 504 | Police Station No. 2 } Chas. H. Rust..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| General Sedgwick..... | 17 | Orange..... | 107 | G. D. Streeter..... | Alter. Fridays |
| Colonel Prescott..... | 18 | Ashland..... | 37 | E. H. Bunker..... | Wednesday |
| Edwin V. Sumner..... | 19 | Fitchburg..... | 243 | Edward P. Loring..... | Monday |
| H. S. Greenleaf..... | 20 | Colerain..... | 30 | Henry M. Howard..... | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Friedrich Hecker..... | 21 | Boston..... | 57 | Griswoldville } Charles Rothenberg..... | Last Tuesday |
| Maj. E. F. Fletcher | 22 | Milford..... | 141 | 46 Lagrange St., Boston } Henry J. Bailey..... | Wednesday |
| Joseph Hooker..... | 23 | East Boston..... | 137 | Box 243 } Andrew P. Fisher..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| A. B. R. Sprague..... | 24 | Grafton..... | 69 | Perly Goldard..... | 2d and last Mon. |
| H. H. Legge..... | 25 | Uxbridge..... | 37 | Edward Parker..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Thos. G. Stevenson..... | 26 | Roxbury..... | 192 | John E. Killian..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Charles Devens..... | 27 | Oxford..... | 44 | 1 Fenwick St., Roxbury } O. B. Chaffee..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| George D. Wells..... | 28 | West Boylston..... | 32 | Geo. B. Johnson..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| F. P. H. Rogers..... | 29 | Waltham..... | 128 | M. H. Stevens..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| William H. Smart..... | 30 | Cambridgeport | 294 | Henry C. Hobbs..... | Thursday |
| George W. Perry..... | 31 | Scituate..... | 63 | 152 Prospect Street } Geo. O. Vinal..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Washington..... | 32 | South Boston..... | 70 | Egypt } W. J. Blake..... | Tuesday |
| Burbank..... | 33 | Woburn..... | 85 | 19 Dedham Street } W. C. C. Colgate..... | Thursday |
| Phil. H. Sheridan..... | 34 | Salem..... | 302 | Albion M. Dudley..... | Tuesday |
| Theodore Winthrop..... | 35 | Chelsea..... | 410 | Jeremiah Norris..... | Thursday |
| Francis Gould..... | 36 | Arlington..... | 54 | Bloomingsdale Street } Major Bacon..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| F. A. Stearns..... | 37 | Spencer..... | 101 | Charles P. Barton..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Dexter..... | 38 | Brookfield..... | 67 | E. Legg..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Needham..... | 39 | Lawrence..... | 345 | Charles U. Bell..... | Wednesday |
| Gen. H. G. Berry..... | 40 | Malden..... | 145 | George H. Norcross..... | Thursday |
| Lyons..... | 41 | Westfield..... | 160 | L. B. Wakeley..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| B. F. Butler..... | 42 | Lowell..... | 306 | Chas. A. R. Dimon..... | Thursday |
| John A. Rawlins..... | 43 | Marlboro | 140 | U. S. Cartridge Co. } W. A. Alley..... | Tuesday |
| G. Wesley Nichols..... | 44 | Fayville..... | 31 | Peter Tebo..... | Tuesday |
| Colonel Allen..... | 45 | Gloucester..... | 186 | Sidney Gardner..... | Thursday |
| Richard Borden..... | 46 | Fall River..... | 225 | John M. Deane..... | Thursday |
| Major How..... | 47 | Haverhill..... | 304 | Edward B. Savage..... | Tuesday |
| George S. Boutwell..... | 48 | Ayer..... | 53 | Chas. E. Craig..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| A. W. Bartlett..... | 49 | Newburyport..... | 230 | Leroy G. Weston..... | Friday |
| Union..... | 50 | Peabody..... | 140 | Thos. A. Jackman..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Ezra Batcheller..... | 51 | North Brookfield. | 61 | John S. Cooke..... | Thursday |
| A. B. Randall..... | 52 | South Easton..... | 72 | Geo. A. Lackey..... | Saturday |
| Charles H. Stevens..... | 53 | Leominster..... | 116 | Willard D. Blanchard..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Capt. C. S. Hastings..... | 54 | Berlin..... | 23 | Geo. H. Andrews..... | 1st Tuesday |
| J. C. Freeman..... | 55 | Provincetown..... | 40 | George Allen..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Beck..... | 56 | Cambridge..... | 145 | Wm. H. H. Howe..... | Monday |

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| P. Stearns Davis..... | 57 | East Cambridge.. | 154 | William Voit..... | Wednesday |
| Reynolds..... | 58 | Weymouth..... | 190 | Benj. S. Lovell..... 109 Gore Street } East Weymouth } | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| Major J. A. Pratt. | 59 | Sterling..... | 29 | Wm. S. Walker..... | 1st Saturday |
| Franklin..... | 60 | Franklin..... | 76 | David W. Corson..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Nathaniel Lyon..... | 61 | Webster..... | 96 | John M. Clark..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Charles Ward..... | 62 | Newton..... | 115 | A. T. Sylvester..... Newtonville } | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Gen. Wadsworth..... | 63 | Natick..... | 190 | A. B. Pierce..... | Tuesday |
| E. D. Baker..... | 64 | Clinton..... | 80 | Wm. A. Johnson..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Clara Barton..... | 65 | Warren..... | 37 | John Thayer..... Box 330 } | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| S. C. Lawrence..... | 66 | Medford..... | 108 | Robt. M. Spinney..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Allen..... | 67 | Manchester..... | 48 | H. T. Bingham..... | Friday |
| Benj. Stone, Jr..... | 68 | Dorchester..... | 256 | B. Read Wales..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| J. P. Rice..... | 69 | Westminster..... | 26 | J. H. Miller..... | Alternate Sat. |
| George A. Custer..... | 70 | Millbury..... | 49 | S. C. Spooner..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Kilpatrick..... | 71 | Holyoke..... | 139 | Peter J. Gilligan..... | Tuesday |
| A. St. John Chambré.. | 72 | Stoughton..... | 66 | Thomas Blanchard..... | 1st and 3d Tues. |
| McPherson..... | 73 | Abington..... | 81 | A. W. Hines..... North Abington } | Wednesday |
| Hartsuff..... | 74 | Rockland..... | 119 | E. T. Harvell..... | Monday |
| J. P. Gould..... | 75 | Stoneham..... | 97 | S. A. Lawrence..... | Monday |
| Collingwood..... | 76 | Plymouth..... | 146 | A. Oliver Brown..... | Wednesday |
| Theron E. Hall..... | 77 | Holden..... | 25 | A. D. Bascom..... | 1st Saturday |
| David A. Russell..... | 78 | South Abington.. | 126 | Rufus Cass..... So. Abington Station } | Tuesday |
| Chas D. Sanford..... | 79 | North Adams.... | 111 | Lewis F. Amadon..... | Friday |
| Arthur G. Biscoe..... | 80 | Westboro..... | 97 | David Chase..... | 1st Wednesday |
| Isaac B. Patten..... | 81 | Watertown..... | 63 | S. F. Stearns..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| John Goodwin, Jr.... | 82 | Marblehead..... | 176 | Joseph R. Graves..... | Monday |
| J. E. Wilder..... | 83 | Hanover..... | 29 | R. C. Waterman..... | Last Tuesday |
| M. E. Stowell..... | 84 | South Deerfield.. | 22 | James M. Scott..... Sunderland } | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| N. W. Lawton..... | 85 | Ware..... | 40 | Frank P. Clark..... | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| W. L. Baker..... | 86 | Northampton.... | 217 | Malcolm Bridgman..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Gen. S. Thayer..... | 87 | South Braintree.. | 69 | Henry A. Monk..... | Friday |
| Paul Revere..... | 88 | Quincy..... | 91 | Isaac M. Holt..... | Thursday |
| J. H. Chipman, Jr.... | 89 | Beverly..... | 180 | Geo. A. Woodbury, 2d. } Box 735 } | Thursday |
| Ward..... | 90 | Danvers..... | 168 | Harvey H. Pillsbury.... | Monday |
| E. P. Carpenter..... | 91 | Foxboro..... | 32 | H. C. Williams..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis Washburn.... | 92 | Brighton..... | 72 | Henry P. Kennedy..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Ozro Miller..... | 93 | Shelburne Falls.. | 68 | James F. Hunter..... Box 154 } | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Revere..... | 94 | Canton..... | 70 | John T. Pitman..... Box 276 } | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Gen. E. W. Hinks.... | 95 | Saugus..... | 54 | James F. Pratt..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Joe Johnson..... | 96 | Northboro..... | 28 | F. M. Harrington..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| E. J. Griggs..... | 97 | Belchertown..... | 53 | A. W. Morse..... | 1st Monday |
| Henry Bryant..... | 98 | Cohasset..... | 30 | E. E. Wentworth..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Gen. W. F. Bartlett.. | 99 | Andover..... | 54 | Geo. W. Chandler..... | 1st Friday |
| William B. Greene.... | 100 | Methuen..... | 73 | John Cairns..... | Friday |
| Charles Sumner..... | 101 | Groveland..... | 53 | Isaac C Day..... South Groveland } | Thursday |
| Huntington F. Wolcott | 102 | Milton..... | 57 | Jedediah Stangman..... | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Otis Chapman..... | 103 | Chicopee..... | 68 | Charles H. Tracy..... | Thursday |
| E. Humphrey..... | 104 | Hingham..... | 60 | John H. Stodder..... South Hingham } | 1st Thursday |
| J. Orson Fiske..... | 105 | Upton..... | 40 | George E. Childs..... | Tuesday |
| O. W. Wallace..... | 106 | Rockport..... | 56 | Walter G. Peckham.... | Monday |
| L. L. Merrick..... | 107 | Palmer..... | 48 | Charles Upham..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Everett Peabody..... | 108 | Georgetown..... | 83 | John Munroe..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Ericsson..... | 109 | East Templeton.. | 46 | Chas. B. Garfield..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Capt. Horace Niles.... | 110 | Randolph..... | 67 | Hiram C. Alden..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| J. E. Simmons..... | 111 | Pembroke..... | 31 | Sylvanus Shedd..... North Marshfield } | (Sat. after full moon |
| D. Willard Robinson.. | 112 | South Scituate... | 48 | John H. Prouty..... Ridge Hill } | 2d and last Mon. |

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| E. W. Kinsley..... | 113 | Boston | 108 | Austin C. Wellington.. } 1762 Washington Street } | 2d and 4th Wed. |
| Col. C. R. Mudge..... | 114 | Merrimac | 56 | M. P. Brew | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| E. S. Clark..... | 115 | Groton | 30 | Geo. H. Balcom..... } East Pepperell } | 1st Saturday |
| D. G. Farragut..... | 116 | Gardner..... | 96 | John D. Edgell..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Moses Ellis..... | 117 | Medfield..... | 34 | N. Frank Harding..... | 2d Tuesday |
| James L. Bates..... | 118 | Swampscott..... | 34 | John I. Adams..... | Monday |
| George G. Meade..... | 119 | Lexington..... | 38 | Geo. D. Harrington..... | 3d Thursday |
| James A. Garfield..... | 120 | Lowell..... | 263 | Robert M. Jacobs..... } 107 Salem Street } | Wednesday |
| Timothy Ingraham... | 121 | Hyde Park..... | 141 | Stephen H. Reynolds... | 1st Monday |
| E. P. Wallace..... | 122 | Amesbury..... | 74 | Charles Goss..... } Box 2 } | Monday |
| Parker..... | 123 | Athol Centre..... | 101 | Chas. E. Taft..... } Box 144 } | 2d and 4th Thurs. |
| Justin Dimick | 124 | East Bridgewater | 52 | Peregrine W. Poole... } | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| W. W. Rockwell..... | 125 | Pittsfield..... | 202 | Robert B. Dickie..... } Lanesboro } | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| George E. Sayles..... | 126 | Adams | 71 | E. N. Jones..... | Saturday |
| T. L. Bonney..... | 127 | Hanson..... | 32 | Josiah G. Cook..... | 2d Saturday |
| Gen. James Appleton. | 128 | Ipswich | 106 | Henry P. Boynton..... } Box 17 } | Wednesday |
| Wm. H. Freeman..... | 129 | Blackstone..... | 29 | Americus Welch..... | 1st Friday |
| James H. Sargent..... | 130 | Medway..... | 41 | Wm. J. Arbuckle..... | Thursday |
| George H. Thomas..... | 131 | Leicester..... | 50 | Henry Bisco..... | 2d Tuesday |
| Charles Chipman..... | 132 | Sandwich..... | 62 | Wm. C. Gifford..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| Geo. H. Maintien..... | 133 | Plainville..... | 22 | Wm. H. Wade..... | Monday |
| Robert A. Bell..... | 134 | Boston | 50 | Isaac S. Mullen..... } Custom House } | Thursday |
| E. A. Andrews..... | 135 | Shrewsbury | 25 | Jos. R. Loring..... | 2d and last Tues. |
| Geo. C. Marshall..... | 136 | Rutland..... | 41 | Chas. R. Bartlett..... | 1st Monday |
| Samuel Sibley..... | 137 | East Douglass... | 32 | Henry Hutchins..... | Thursday |
| Isaac Davis..... | 138 | West Acton..... | 73 | Samuel A. Guilford..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| W. C. Kinsley..... | 139 | Somerville..... | 117 | Walter Winward..... } Beach Street } | Monday |
| Hubbard V. Smith... | 140 | Athol..... | 84 | L. C. Sawin..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Frank D. Hammond... | 141 | S. Chatham..... | 50 | Charles H. Packard... } Harwich } | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Burnside..... | 142 | Saxonville..... | 30 | Henry F. Winch..... | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| C. L. Chandler..... | 143 | Brookline..... | 45 | E. B. Richardson..... | 3d Monday |
| Chas. W. Carroll..... | 144 | Dedham..... | 90 | Henry W. Weeks..... | 3d Friday |
| Wm. A. Streeter..... | 145 | Attleboro..... | 107 | E. D. Guild..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Robert G. Shaw..... | 146 | New Bedford..... | 19 | Geo. T. Fisher..... } 233 Middle Street } | 3d Thursday |
| E. M. Stanton..... | 147 | Amherst..... | 112 | H. M. McCloud..... | { Tues. on or bef. full moon |
| A. D. Weld..... | 148 | Winchester..... | 22 | Edwin Robinson..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Major G. L. Stearns... | 149 | Charlestown..... | 57 | J. W. Leavett..... } 372 Bunker Hill Street } | Friday |
| Armstrong..... | 150 | Montague..... | 39 | G. N. Watson..... } North Leverett } | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Major Boyd..... | 151 | West Newbury.. | 13 | Elbridge G. Wood..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| O. H. P. Sargent..... | 152 | Essex..... | 42 | James B. Kimble..... | Wednesday |
| Gilman C. Parker..... | 153 | Winchendon..... | 63 | Andrew Riley..... | 2d and 3d Fri. |
| Martha Sever..... | 154 | Kingston..... | 50 | Geo. E. Owens..... | 2d and 4th Sat. |
| Marcus Keep..... | 155 | Monson..... | 53 | Wm. G. Meacham..... | { Mon. on or bef. full moon |
| James A. Perkins..... | 156 | Everett..... | 64 | Chas. H. Spencer..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| Elbridge B. Piper..... | 157 | Walpole..... | 40 | Samuel L. Gilman..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Capt. E. T. Dresser..... | 158 | Housatonic..... | 44 | Wm. McDonald..... | 2d and 4th Mon. |
| John A. Hawes..... | 159 | East Boston..... | 138 | Wm. F. Hayes..... } 14 Monmouth } | Friday |
| Alanson Hamilton... | 160 | West Brookfield.. | 33 | J. G. Warren..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Woburn..... | 161 | Woburn..... | 63 | J. Fred Leslie..... | Wednesday |
| Manton E. Taft..... | 162 | Turners Falls.... | 61 | Ralph L. Atherton..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Gen. J. G. Foster..... | 163 | So. Framingham.. | 54 | E. F. Phinney..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| Francis A. Clary..... | 164 | Conway..... | 23 | Alex. Sinclair..... | 3d Wednesday |
| Wm. Wadsworth..... | 165 | Duxbury..... | 48 | J. W. Tower..... | Friday |
| Geo. C. Strong..... | 166 | Easthampton..... | 70 | O. T. White..... | 2d and 4th Tues. |

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| Jesse L. Reno..... | 167 | Whitinsville..... | 19 | Phineas Buckley..... } Box 266 } | 2d Friday |
| Malcolm Ammidown.. | 168 | Southbridge..... | 60 | Geo. W. Corey..... | 2d and 4th Fri. |
| Geo. K. Bird..... | 169 | Norwood..... | 43 | William Taylor..... | 2d Friday |
| John Rogers..... | 170 | Mansfield..... | 41 | Geo. P. Chapin..... | 1st and 3d Thur. |
| Albert S. Johnson.... | 171 | Northfield..... | 25 | J. M. Morrill..... } West Northfield } | 2d and 4th Tues. |
| E. K. Warren..... | 172 | Bolton..... | 19 | Ambrose Eames..... | Thursday |
| J. Arthur Johnson.... | 173 | Sturbridge..... | 41 | W. H. H. Armsby..... } Fiskdale } | Wednesday |
| Edwin E. Day..... | 174 | Greenfield..... | 95 | George Pierce..... | 1st and 3d Fri. |
| Washburn..... | 175 | Lancaster..... | 20 | John E. Farnsworth..... | 1st and 3d Sat. |
| Gen. Horace C. Lee... | 176 | Huntington..... | 65 | Edward Pease..... | Mon. bef. full moon |
| Scott Bradley..... | 177 | Lee..... | 33 | Henry N. Horton..... | 2d and 4th Thur. |
| Myron Nichols..... | 178 | Otis..... | 22 | Warren O. Hawley..... | Sat. on or bef. full moon |
| Samuel F. Woods..... | 179 | Barre..... | 46 | B. F. Brooks..... | 1st Saturday |
| Old Concord..... | 180 | Concord..... | 58 | Caleb H. Wheeler..... | 2d Thursday |
| Galen Orr..... | 181 | Needham..... | 37 | George Adams..... | Alternate Thurs. |
| Cyrus M. Wheaton.... | 182 | Somerset..... | 25 | Amasa Gray..... | 1st and 3d Wed. |
| Chas. C. Smith..... | 183 | South Hadley.... | 33 | Chas. Church..... | 1st and 3d Mon. |
| Sergeant Plunket.... | 184 | Ashburnham..... | 38 | J. W. Bride..... | 1st and 3d Thurs. |
| Ladd and Whitney.... | 185 | Lowell..... | 235 | Chas. H. Richardson... } Box 71 } | Thursday |
| John A. Logan..... | 186 | Cambridgeport... | 55 | John D. Billings..... } 17 Perry Street } | 2d and 4th Thur. |

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